



# Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge™

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Since 1987, the AMVETS National Service Foundation has offered this unique four-day educational experience at Freedoms Foundation in Valley Forge, Pa., to give young people a better appreciation of the freedoms they enjoy. First place department winners of the 9th grade National Americanism Essay Contest receive an all-expense paid trip to the seminar.

\*\*\*\* PLEASE NOTE \*\*\*

*If your department does not conduct such a contest, it SHOULD still select a deserving student to benefit from this once in a lifetime experience. Students selected must be 10th through 12th graders. They should be prepared to represent themselves, their families, their schools and AMVETS in an exemplary manner.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Scouts – Eagle or Gold Award |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | High School Honor Students   |

Every year Departments leave money on the table and deprive worthy young Americans the opportunity for a life changing experience. Not to mention a super PR hook for AMVETS in their local communities.

\*\*\* Student Testimonial \*\*\*

*I would like to sincerely thank AMVETS for giving me the opportunity to experience a once in a lifetime event. "The Spirit of America" Youth Conference which I attended at Valley Forge is one that I will never forget.*

*The opportunity to meet youth from across our nation, the seminars, speakers, field trips, banquet, and other events made an indelible impression on my life. I had fun and learned so much.*

*Thanks so much for an amazing weekend, one, which I will cherish forever.*

All posts and departments are encouraged to sponsor, at their own expense, additional students. Names and addresses of 9th grade essay winners and other deserving students must reach the National Programs Department **by 31 August**.

**Questions – Please call Beryl Love, Nat. Programs Director**