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AMVETS Post 187 is accepting essays from any 12<sup>th</sup> grade student attending high school. It is open to students from Athens, Canton, Northeast Bradford, Sayre, Towanda, Troy or Wyalusing school districts that will be continuing further education or joining the military. Essays need to be sent to AMVETS Post 187, 97 Echo Beach Road, Towanda, Pa. 18848 or AMVETSPOST187@gmail.com prior to the deadline of April 9, 2025. This will allow our committee time to review the essays and award the winner prior to the end of 2024-2025 school year. Cash prizes will be awarded to best essays.

In past years we have required students to write an essay defining what being a veteran means to him/her. This year AMVETS Post 187 has decided to expand on this topic. We are requiring students interested in our scholarship to sit down and conduct an interview with a veteran. This veteran may be a family member, friend or a person in his or her community. If a student finds he or she does not have a veteran, please call us at 570-485-5017 and we will set the student up with a veteran to interview. The interview should be an open dialogue conversation. Our initiative is to have students

be able to write about the life and experiences of the veteran while serving in the United States Military, while also expressing to us what being a veteran means to the student.

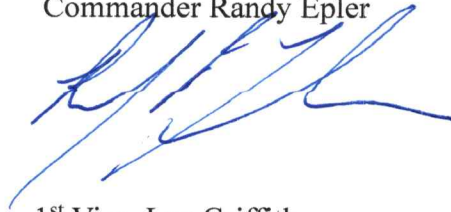
Students should plan on spending at least an hour with his or her veteran asking questions which will allow not only the student but also us, to understand the veteran's experience in the military. The following questions are some examples of questions which should be included in the interview. Students should not limit themselves to only these questions. The essay has no minimum or maximum word requirement.

### SAMPLE QUESTIONS

1. Name, branch of service, years in service
2. Best experience while serving
3. Worst experience while serving
4. Reasons veteran was in the military
5. Locations of service years
6. Biggest life lesson Veteran learned while serving
7. Veterans view of the military now

We look forward to reading your essays.

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