



Junior Activities Patch Program

PURPLE LEVEL: Pre-School Age 3 - Kindergarten

American Legion Auxiliary Junior members and Sons of The American Legion youth members can be active participants of the organization with the Patch Program. Regardless of where one lives, and whether she/he belongs to an active Junior group or squadron, Junior Auxiliary members and SAL youth members can serve their communities and veterans, and learn about patriotism, health, fitness, and leadership through this program.

Each sheet explains the criteria and what must be accomplished in order to earn a specific patch. When the activities are completed, an adult or Senior member must sign the form to verify that the Junior or SAL youth has met the patch criteria.

There are four levels of patch criteria:

- **Purple Level: Pre-School Age 3 through Kindergarten**
- Red Level: 1st through 4th grade
- Gold Level: 5th grade through 8th grade
- Blue Level: 9th grade through 12th grade (or 18 years old)

Patches may be ordered online at:

<https://member.legion-aux.org/Member/Junior-Patch-Program-Order-Form>

Additional Patch Sheets are available at:

www.ALAforVeterans.org

For questions and comments, please contact the National Junior Activities Committee at

junioractivities@ALAforVeterans.org or 317-569-4500



SPIRIT OF YOUTH FUND PATCH

The Spirit of Youth Fund provides scholarship opportunities for participants in American Legion Auxiliary programs. One is for American Legion Auxiliary Junior members, another for the Junior Members of the Year, and one is for participants in the American Legion Auxiliary Girls Nation program.

A special Junior patch has been created for our Junior members and Sons of The American Legion youth to be involved in raising money for the Spirit of Youth Fund. Help get the word out to all our members! We hope every Junior and SAL youth will be involved in some activity to raise money for the Spirit of Youth Fund.

Any Junior or SAL youth can earn this patch if they raise at least \$5 for each year old. For example, a 17-year-old would raise a minimum of \$85 (17 x \$5 = \$85.)

Donations can be raised a variety of ways. Juniors and SAL youth can solicit donations from family, friends, American Legion Family members, or contribute themselves. Fundraising activities can be coordinated, such as bake sales or other sales, etc. Funds can be raised individually or as a group, but each Junior or SAL youth receiving this patch needs to have raised the required minimum funds for their age. The goal is for the youth of our ALA and SAL organizations to be involved and aware of the scholarship project. Checks should be made out to *National Treasurer, American Legion Auxiliary with SOY Fund* in the memo line.

Get involved today!

To receive the patch, complete the following and send it with the donation to:

American Legion Auxiliary National Headquarters

Attn: Development

3450 Founders Rd.

Indianapolis, IN 46268

Name of Junior/SAL: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____ Unit/Squadron: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Phone: _____

Amount raised: \$ _____ (\$5/year of age) Department of: _____

Optional: Tell us about how you raised the money (you may use the back of the page if needed):



AMERICANISM PATCH

PURPLE LEVEL

(Pre-School Age 3-Kindergarten)

Educate yourself about the rights and responsibilities of an American citizen.

Level 1: Seven (7) possibilities; a total of Four (4) must be completed.

Number:	Activity:	Date:	Adult Signature:
1	Recite the Pledge of Allegiance with an adult.		
2	Color some pages in the ALA's <i>America the Beautiful</i> coloring book available at https://www.legion-aux.org/Coloring-Books .		
3	Have someone read to you about the history of the American flag.		
4	Have an adult identify the proper number of stars and stripes on the American Flag.		
5	Have an adult show you a map of the United States and point out the state you live in, your state capital, the national capital, and other locations important in our U.S. history.		
6	Draw a picture about what is important to you living in the United States.		
7	Have an adult tell you about the patriotic holidays in the United States (such as Flag Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Veterans Day, etc.)		

Name of Junior/SAL Member: _____

Grade: _____ Unit/Squadron # _____

Department _____



MEMBERSHIP PATCH PURPLE LEVEL

(Pre-School Age 3-Kindergarten)

Your eligibility for membership is a gift from a veteran.

Level 1: Seven (7) possibilities; a total of Four (4) must be completed.

Number:	Activity:	Date:	Adult Signature:
1	Wear your American Legion Auxiliary pin or Sons of The American Legion hat to a meeting or to church.		
2	Have an adult tell you through whom you have membership eligibility and why.		
3	Ask a Senior member to tell you why they joined the ALA or SAL.		
4	Assist with a service project or fundraising event at your unit or squadron.		
5	Have a senior member tell you the name and number of your unit or squadron.		
6	Make a card or picture and give it to a veteran at your post.		
7	Learn an interesting fact about the ALA or the SAL and share it with a friend.		

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POPPY PATCH PURPLE LEVEL

(Pre-School Age 3-Kindergarten)

The symbol of sacrifices our veterans have made.

Level 1: Seven (7) possibilities; a total of Four (4) must be completed.

Number:	Activity:	Date:	Adult Signature:
1	Have a Senior member tell you the Poppy Story.		
2	Ask an adult ALA member, SAL or Legionnaire to tell you what the poppy means to them.		
3	Color some pages in the ALA's Poppy coloring book available at https://www.legion-aux.org/Coloring-Books .		
4	With help from an adult leader, distribute poppies in your post home or community.		
5	Have an adult recite the poem "In Flanders Fields."		
6	Have an adult read the book, "The Poppy Lady: Moina Belle Michael and Her Tribute to Veterans."		
7	Wear a poppy out in your community.		

Name of Junior/SAL Member: _____

Grade: _____ Unit/Squadron # _____

Department _____