

2027 CRITERIA

Award winners are determined by their performance from 31 August 2026 through 31 August 2027. The award criteria are entirely objective. Any unit that meets at least 6 of the 11 criteria listed below on 31 August 2027 earns the award.

- **Aerospace:** Unit has submitted an Aerospace Excellence Award (AEX) Completion Report or sent in an AAR after ordering a STEM Kit during this award cycle
- **Cadet Achievement:** 45% of cadets on roster have attained the Wright Brothers Award
- **Encampment:** 50% of cadets on roster have graduated encampment
- **Enrollment:** Unit has at least 25 cadets listed on its roster
- **Emergency Services:** 60% of cadets on roster have GES certification
- **Local Action:** Unit hosted four different community engagement activities with at least four cadets for each event
- **Onboarding:** 70% of all new cadets from 31 August 2026 earned Achievement 1 in 8 weeks
- **Orientation Flights:** 70% of cadets on roster have first flight credit
- **STEM Team:** Unit hosted a STEM team and met minimum qualifying criteria for one of the following STEM activities - American Rocketry Challenge, CAP/NASA 2026 Mission, CyberPatriot, FIRST Lego League, FIRST Tech Challenge, High Altitude Balloon Challenge, StellarXplorers, UAS4STEM, AE ACE Plus Program
- **TLC Graduates:** Unit has at least 3 members on its roster with a current Training Leaders of Cadets credential
- ****QPR Training:** 10% of senior members have completed QPR training within the past 12 months

** Adjusted for 2027

ELIGIBILITY

All units with a minimum of 10 cadets and two members who hold a current credential in a TLC course (any level) are eligible.