

Department of Kansas Membership – March 2026

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Merit Medallion Update!

The Merit Medallion membership requirement deadline is **85% by March 15**. As of 2/16, Kansas needs **743 members**.



If each district could bring in just 68 members over the next 15 days...we would hit the goal. So, our focus is to each district, find and transmit 68 members by March 15.

Kirby's March Tip



Get Creative?

Get creative and design your own dues renewal notice. Use fun and colorful text and images to catch attention. Be sure to highlight the activities unique to your unit. Then mail to all who haven't renewed!

Checklist

- Gift your ALA Magazine to an eligible friend. Tell them all about what we do and help get them signed up. Have a membership application ready and make the ask!
- Do you have your "elevator speech" ready to go? Craft a less than 2 minute "speech" about the ALA so that you are ready to deliver it when there is a membership opportunity..
- Does your unit gift scholarships? If so, speak to the recipient(s) and their families about the American Legion Family. If eligible, ask them to join.
- Make the week of The American Legion's birthday "Grandma's Rock Week." To all the grandmother's...be sure your grandchildren's dues are current.
- Math Matters. Ask everyone in your unit to find and sign up one new member or rejoin a member whose dues lapsed. If everyone in Kansas would do this one simple ask...we will be sitting in the front row in Louisville!
- Is there a unit near you that is struggling? Ask to visit and together develop a plan to help the unit get back up and going.

An Update on the Flock as of 2/16/26



District 11 Canaries still lead the flock but great job District 2 Woodpeckers for making a run up to second place!

District Standings:

1. District 11 85.18%
2. District 2 81.16%
3. District 6 79.48%
4. District 10 78.81%
5. District 9 76.69%
6. District 5 76.60%
7. District 4 76.10%
8. District 1 75.54%
9. District 3 74.93%
10. District 8 71.79%
11. District 7 68.09%