



# Veterans Day 2017



Dear Members of the Ox Ridge Community,

The Veterans Day Program at our school will be on **Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup>** this year. As many of you know, this program is an extremely significant event at our school. Our goal is to develop a greater appreciation among students for our country and the veterans who sacrificed so much for our safety and freedoms.

In preparation for the program and to pay tribute to all the veterans in our families and community—past, present, near and far-- we will decorate one of the main bulletin boards with short biographies and pictures of our veterans from their days in service.

On November 9<sup>th</sup>, we would like to invite our veterans and active duty servicemen/women to participate in a program to honor them. The schedule for that morning is as follows:

8:30am: Coffee reception for veterans and their families. Students will greet and escort veterans to the common room

9:15am: Kindergarteners will greet veterans with patriotic songs

9:30am: Program and tribute to veterans begins in the common room

\*We expect the program to end at approximately 10:30 a.m.

If you have a veteran or active duty serviceman/woman in your family, or if you know a veteran who is interested in participating in our program, please complete the information on the following page. Please complete this form even if your veteran is unable to attend our program so that we can pay tribute to them by including them on the bulletin board. Kindly return the form to school, along with a photo of the veteran (preferably in uniform) to school no later than **Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>**.

Please note: If your family's veteran participated in last year's program, it is not necessary to complete the information again. However, please let us know if he/she will be participating again. You may email me at [lforshaw@darienps.org](mailto:lforshaw@darienps.org) with this information, or call Mary Lay, our secretary. **It is imperative that we know by Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> who our participants will be. Please complete information sheet on next page.**

Thank you for your support, we look forward to honoring our country's heroes once again!

Sincerely yours,

Luke Forshaw, Principal

Christina Ulreich, Assistant Principal

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**Name of Veteran:** \_\_\_\_\_

Ox Ridge student(s) and grade(s) to whom veteran is related/connected:

**Veteran of:**

World War II \_\_\_\_\_ Korean Conflict \_\_\_\_\_ Cold War \_\_\_\_\_

Vietnam War \_\_\_\_\_ Desert Storm \_\_\_\_\_ Gulf War \_\_\_\_\_

War on Terror (Iraq, Afghanistan, etc) \_\_\_\_\_ Active in Service today \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Service \_\_\_\_\_ Years of Service \_\_\_\_\_

Service History (Please include assignments, experiences, honors or awards received):

**Other Pertinent Information:**

Name of Ox Ridge Parent Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Will veteran attend Program on November 9<sup>th</sup>?                      YES                      NO

Number of adults who will attend breakfast reception with veteran: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Attach additional sheet for more information, if necessary)