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DCPS to commemorate Veterans Day

Schools throughout the Daviess County Public Schools district are planning a variety of events to commemorate Veterans Day and express appreciation to the men and women who have served our country and protected our freedoms. The following activities are LISTED BY TIME/DATE. We extend a special invitation to all Veterans to attend these events as our honored guests; please contact schools for more information. Media partners are invited to attend any/all of these programs and to share coverage with our community. Contact information and school locations are provided in the list below.

In addition – The DCPS Board of Education and all Daviess County Public Schools invite active service and retired Veterans to attend all regular season events, including athletic events, concerts and performances, free of charge as our honored guests.

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West Louisville Elementary School Nathan Satterly
8400 Kentucky 56 270-852-7650

WLES will host its annual Veterans Day program at 8 a.m. Monday, Nov. 4. The celebration will include special messages written by WLES students and patriotic songs honoring our nation's heroes. This year's event will feature a special recognition of Veterans of the Vietnam War. Guest speaker is Spec. Andrew Clouse of the U.S. Army Reserves, who has served for 12 years as a chaplain's assistant through active duty and the reserves. All Veterans are invited to a free breakfast at 7 a.m.; cost for other guests is \$2.50.

Meadow Lands Elementary School Brad Dedman
3500 Hayden Road 270-852-7450

MLES will honor Veterans with a special ceremony at 12:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 4, including a Color Guard presentation, choir and student performances, and a presentation by the MLES Boys' Group of cards and refreshments. Guest speaker is Sgt. H. Casey Howard, who served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 2004-08. Following specialized training with the Engineer Battalion at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., Howard served two years at Camp Fuji Training Battalion in Japan; 1st Combat Engineer Battalion in Camp Pendleton, Calif.; and deployed with a Combat Engineer Line Platoon to Al Qa'im, Iraq, where his platoon built forward operating bases and performed cache sweeps for unexploded ordnance.



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Daviess County Middle School
1415 E. Fourth St.

Katie Albers
270-852-7600

DCMS will host a special breakfast for Veterans at 7:45 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 7, followed by a program at 8:30 a.m. Guest speaker is Brandon Carlson, a retired Veteran of the U.S. Army. The Daviess County High School Navy JROTC will present the colors. The student-led program will also feature presentations by the DCMS band and choir.

Sorgho Elementary School
5390 Kentucky 56

Shelley Mattingly
270-852-7470

SES will host Owensboro City Commissioner Pam Smith-Wright as guest speaker for a special Veterans Day program scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 7. Smith-Wright was the first woman elected to serve as president of the Owensboro-Daviess County Veterans Organization and was the first African-American to hold the office of state president of the AmVets Ladies Auxiliary. The Apollo High School Air Force JROTC cadets will present the colors during this program. SES students will speak and sing as part of this program.

Tamarack Elementary School
1733 Tamarack Road

Jessica Morris
270-852-7550

TES will honor family members of Tamarack students who are Veterans of the U.S. armed forces with a special ceremony at 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7. The program will include a patriotic medley presented by the TES Singing Stars choir. Guest speaker Sgt. Conrad L. Francis (U.S. Army, ret.), who served as a forward observer in a 60-foot tower near Long Bienh, Vietnam, will share remarks on the theme of "Who a Veteran Is."

Deer Park Elementary School
4959 New Hartford Road

Julie Hawkins
270-852-7270

DPES will host a breakfast honoring Veterans at 7 a.m. Friday, Nov. 8, followed by a patriotic program at 7:45 a.m.

Burns Elementary School
4514 Goetz Drive

Davey Mills
270-852-7170

BES will host a Veteran's Day celebration at 8 a.m. Friday, Nov. 8, in the school gymnasium. Guest speaker is Lt. Col. Rick Fagan (U.S. Army, ret.).

East View Elementary School
6104 Kentucky 405

Beth Hutchinson
270-852-7350

EVES will host a special ceremony to honor Veterans with guest speaker Spec. Logan Bickett, a graduate of Daviess County High School and a member of the Kentucky National Guard since 2016. Bickett has been awarded the Army Achievement Medal for graduating from the Advanced Individual Training at the top of his class. All Veterans are invited to a light breakfast at 8 a.m. Friday, Nov. 8, followed by the program at 8:30 a.m.



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Burns Middle School
4610 Goetz Drive

Victoria Self
270-852-7400

BMS will honor Veterans and those on active duty with breakfast at 8 a.m. Friday, Nov. 8, followed by a special program at 9 a.m. The BMS chorus, band and orchestra will perform and the Apollo High School Air Force JROTC will present colors. Guest speaker is Jeremy Camron, principal of Owensboro Day Treatment, who enlisted with the U.S. Navy and served with the U.S. Marine Corps as a hospital corpsman third class (third class petty officer) for four years prior to returning to school to become a teacher.

Country Heights Elementary School
4961 Kentucky 54

Cindy Heady
270-852-7250

CHES will host guest speaker Cathy Mullins, president of the Kentucky chapter of Gold Star Mothers, during a special ceremony at 8:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 8. The Daviess County High School Navy JROTC will present the colors as part of this student-led program.

Southern Oaks Elementary School
7525 U.S. 431

Jennifer Humphrey
270-852-7570

SOES will host an assembly honoring Veterans at 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8. Veterans are welcome to arrive early and enjoy refreshments and a “meet and greet” reception. The assembly will include a presentation of colors by the Daviess County High School Navy JROTC, student presentations from each grade level and music performed by the Stallion Singers.

Audubon Elementary School
300 Worthington Road

Kelly May
270-852-7150

AES will host a free breakfast for all Veterans from 6:50 to 7:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 11, followed by a commemorative ceremony in the school gym. Those planning to attend are requested to contact Kelly May at 270-852-7150 by Wednesday, Nov. 6.

Daviess County High School
4255 New Hartford Road

LCDR Stephen White, USN (Ret.)
270-852-7300

DCHS will host a special Veterans Day celebration begins with a breakfast at 7:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 11, followed by a program at 8:30 a.m. in the school gym. All Veterans and their families are invited as honored guests. Principal Matt Mason and Navy JROTC instructor LCDR Stephen White, USN (Ret.), will share remarks, followed by guest speaker Gen. D. Allen Youngman, who retired as adjutant general, Kentucky National Guard. Since leaving active duty, Gen. Youngman has served as a special deputy to the Daviess County Sheriff’s Office, as well as senior consultant with American Business Development Group, specializing in national defense and homeland security. Since 2004, Gen. Youngman has served as executive director of the Defense Small Arms Advisory Council, a trade association comprised of most of the U.S.-based manufacturers of small arms for the military and law enforcement markets.



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Apollo High School
2280 Tamarack Road

Lynne Ferguson
270-852-7100

AHS will host its 16th annual Veterans Day event that begins with a breakfast at 7:45 a.m. Monday, Nov. 11. Those wishing to attend the breakfast are asked to call Lynne Ferguson at 270-852-7100 by Nov. 6. A special program will begin at 8:30 a.m. for students, staff and invited guests, honoring Col. Edgar Paul, who is retiring after 27 years as senior aerospace science instructor at Apollo High School. Col. Paul began his career as a JROTC instructor in December 1992 retiring from the U.S. Air Force.

Heritage Park High School
3361 Buckland Square

Michelle Ruckdeschel
270-852-7200

HPHS will host a Veterans Day assembly from 10 to 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 11, at the Boys and Girls Club, 3415 Buckland Square. The program will feature a guest speaker and will be followed by a lunch for Veterans and special guests.

Highland Elementary School
2909 Leitchfield Road

Leslie Peveler
270-852-7370

HES will host a Veterans Day program at 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 11, highlighted by a special performance by the Highland Choir. Light refreshments will be served. Guest speaker is Melody Wallace, a veteran of the U.S. Navy. She served as a hospital corpsman with the Marines at Cherry Point Naval Air Station and at the Naval Hospital at Camp Lejeune from 1991-1995. Drawing from the skills that she acquired through her naval service, Wallace spent 10 years in the medical field before discovering that teaching was her true passion. She is now in her 14th year of teaching, and is currently teaching seventh grade language arts at College View Middle School. Wallace enjoys using her heart for service to educate her students on the importance of our veterans and military service members.

College View Middle School
5061 New Hartford Road

Kathy Hagan
270-852-7500

CVMS will host a reception for all Veterans at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, followed by a special program at 2 p.m. Guest speaker is Matthew Fitzgerald of the U.S. Marine Corps. The Daviess County High School Navy JROTC will present the colors. The student-led program will feature performances by the CVMS band and choir.

Whitesville Elementary School
9656 Kentucky 54

Tricia Murphy
270-852-7670

WES invites all Veterans, their families and the community to enjoy breakfast at 7 a.m. Friday, Nov. 15. Veterans eat free; cost for other guests is \$2.50. A student-led program, "Voices for Veterans," begins at 8 a.m. in the gymnasium, and includes presentation of colors, remarks by a special guest speaker, songs by the Wildcat Choir, a poetry reading, salute to the armed forces and a tribute to all who have served our country. All Veterans in attendance will be recognized and presented with a token of appreciation by WES students.



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