



Red, White and YOU

Our school wears red, white and blue on parade days to support our veterans and in honor of Patriots Day. Students, veterans, police officers, firefighters and teachers all gather in the halls for our significant parades. We will always honor and support those who fought with courage and bravery for the freedom of our country. We will respect, admire, value, and cherish these Veterans and memories we share. This is a tradition of Cockrill Middle School in which we take a moment to celebrate those who would have fought and continue to fight for our freedom.



Every year Cockrill Middle School celebrates the veterans in a schoolwide parade, honoring the men and women who have served and those who still serve our country. Many kids are inspired throughout the school by veterans, and some have shown interest in wanting to serve the country and community.

"My favorite part of the parade was when a random student, who I didn't even know, handed my grandpa a note during our walk."

- Delaney Gullickson (8th)

Dear Veterans,
I am so honored to be standing in front of you right now. You risked your life so that innocent people could live without fear. You sacrificed yourself so that we could live in freedom. Thank you so much for serving. I am so very blessed to be standing here with you today. Because of people like you, freedom will prevail. No matter how hard it is, you keep trying. No matter how much you just want to eat a juicy steak, you can't. You are such an inspiration to me and a lot of others. Thank you for your service!



Do you know a veteran?

Yes



61%

No

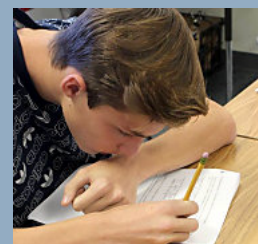


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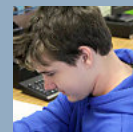
As we were taking the poll we noticed that most students have a relative that was or still is in the military. Students in electives such as Cheer, Teen Leadership, AVID, Investigating Careers, Percussion, and PALS took part in both parades to acknowledge America's history.

Your Story

Gavin DeYager (8th) - Is interested in going in to the army and becoming an infantry soldier. He got inspired by both of his grandparents' stories. He says he would love to support and protect his country.



Jaxx Morris (7th) - Is interested in special forces or the marines. He is inspired by a member of his church. He is responsible and would love to support his country. "This would be an overall good experience."



Kylee Rohrbacher (7th) - Is interested in Medical Navy or bomb search for the Marines. She got inspired by her sister who's in the Airforce, and her Dad's family served in wars throughout generations.



Luke Coleman (7th) - Is interested in being a combat engineer. His family has a history of being a part of the Marines. "This would be a great experience."



What interests you about serving your country?



Memories in Motion

On Patriots Day, we remember, and honor those involved in the tragic events on September 11, 2001 by having a school-wide



parade. This parade is to honor, remember, and celebrate those who have fought and continue to fight for our freedom. Our school will always memorialize the families and officers whose lives were at risk for our nation. Pictured to the left you can see our very own Student Resource Officer, Officer Roddy, walking with local a local firefighter from here in McKinney. Officer Roddy loves this opportunity to see all our students supporting our community in this school wide event.