



# News You Should Know

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*Thank you to our military men and women for your service and thank you to their families for your sacrifice.*

## Veterans Day Reflection:

On Veterans Day I was blessed enough to be a guest at a few veteran day activities. I watched the joy and excitement on the students faces as they welcomed their veterans into their school to show off their singing abilities and art work.

Then in the silence of the auditorium the taps began to play as we gave a moment of silence for the ones who were unable to be with us. As tears fell from my eyes, I bear witness to the single most beautiful moment. In unison all of the veterans rose to their feet, and in unison 300 + students witnessed this and without hesitation they rose to theirs. Silence still filled the room. In this moment students were able to observe what respect and honor look like and see it in action. They were able to witness the actions of one and with the utmost clarity mimic those same actions. This is one of those transformational moments in education.

Thank you to our veterans for not only protecting and serving, but continuing to role model honor and respect for our children. You make a difference everyday even if you don't see it, our children feel it!

## Stay Connected

[Kentschools.net/engagement](https://kentschools.net/engagement)

The webpage offers parent resources and news about district wide events.



Scan the QR code with your phone's camera to stay connected!

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## Community Corner



This section of the newsletter will alert you about resources and new services in our community!

## CITY OF KENT HEALTH DEPARTMENT



Looking for a low-pressure way to get involved in your community?

Learn more: [Health Equity Taskforce](#)

- Health equity is a situation in which all people have the opportunity to achieve their full health potential, with no one at a disadvantage because of the social determinants of health.
- **The first 20 meeting attendees earn a gift card incentive!**
- 1 hour meetings are once every 3 months. Optional workgroups meet in the time between meetings.



Kent City Schools is committed to bringing schools, community and families closer together and one way we are doing this is by keeping our military youth connected. If your student is a military connected youth please take a moment to fill out this brief [survey](#) to get signed up for our Military Newsletter. The Newsletter features different services and programs your student/family may be able to take part in.

*“Military Connected Youth” are children, adolescents, or students with a close family member (parent, step parent, sibling, step-sibling,) serving in any branch of the United States Armed Forces in any status Active Duty, Reserve, or National Guard.*