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Schools hosting Veterans Day programs to be recognized by Sec. Gale

LINCOLN – Stressing what a meaningful event it is for many veterans, Secretary of State John Gale is once again encouraging schools across Nebraska to host programs that will honor local veterans. This is the sixth year that his office has hosted Honor a Veteran.

Schools that host a program for Veterans Day will be recognized with a certificate of appreciation from Sec. Gale.

“I often hear from veterans about their experiences in the schools. They’re honored to take part in those activities and it’s a great way for students to hear first-hand about their experiences as well.”

Gale has promoted the Honor a Veteran program since 2008. Initially, the program was utilized in middle schools across the state. It now includes elementary and high schools.

To help schools get their own programs started, the Secretary of State’s office provides detailed information on its website including samples of programs, a script that schools can follow and a resource guide for finding a speaker.

“This program is one of several I’ve launched through the years to help foster patriotism, civic involvement and community pride within our school systems,” Gale remarked. “It’s been a very popular program and one that has continued to grow.”

Gale said programs can include musical performances, flag presentations by JROTC units, video presentations and more. Some schools also host a breakfast or lunch for guests.

Public and nonpublic schools who wish to learn more about the Honor a Veteran program can call the Secretary of State's office at 402-471-8408 or send an email to sos.events@nebraska.gov.

"We also want to hear from schools that do host a program this month so we can acknowledge their efforts directly," said Gale. "To do that they can simply send an email to the same address."

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