

SCHOOL PRESENTATIONS OUTLINE

- **UNIFORM OF THE DAY:** Formal hat. White shirt and tie, dark pants and shoes. Also plenty of smiles.

- **MAIN TOPIC :** What is a US Military Veteran

- Open Presentation: Presenters introduce themselves and the Branch they served. Then briefly explain their job (MOS)
- Ask Students how Apex Community is protected and safe for them and residents.
 - Apex Police
 - Apex Fire
 - Apex EMS
- Explain define that the US Military keeps America and Worldwide US interests safe, secure and protected. Also protect the freedoms of US Citizens and preserve Democracy.
- Enlistment Oaths: Sandra will provide.
- Define US Military: Identify each Branch and their assigned function (use personal symbols)
 - US Army: Land Operations and defense
 - US Navy: Sea Operations and defense
 - US Marines: Land, Sea and Air Operations / in conjunction with Navy
 - US Air Force: Air Operations and Defense
 - US Coast Guard: Defense of US Coastal waters
 - US Space Force: Protect and Defense of US Space interests
- Discuss freedoms that students may enjoy
 - Family safety
 - Play with friends
 - Play sports
 - Freedom to travel
 - Freedom to worship religions of choice.
 - Freedom of Speech
 - Freedom to assemble

Ask students for others they think of.

- Discuss and redefine Veterans Day and Memorial Day purpose.

- Explain the transition from Armistice Day to the celebration of Veterans Day in US. Veterans Day is celebrated to recognize and honor the Service of all Veterans 1776 to today.
 - Memorial Day (May) honors and memorializes all Veterans and First responders that have lost their life in the Service of our Country.
- I think we can tie together holidays honoring Vets and First responders by explaining the Apex Memorial downtown. Explain to students that there is a rich history of Veterans set out in the memorial bricks. Families have honored and recognized their loved ones that served our county.
 - Potential questions we should be prepared to get from students
 - Have you ever killed anyone. Answer: NO
 - Did you ever serve in a war?
 - Did you ever get shot at?
 - Did you ever shoot someone?
 - You were in the Air Force so you were a pilot? Ans. No, only less than 4% of people in the Air Force fly.
 - What countries did you live in?
 - Did you wear a uniform?
 - Did you carry a gun?
 - How many pushups can you do?
 - Did you ever arrest someone?
 - Do you have handcuffs?
 - Did you ever get in a fight?