

QUESTION: What does Veterans Day mean to you?

The Bristol Herald Courier wants to hear from our youngest readers on what Veterans Day means to them. Please write a short essay (between 75 and 200 words) on what veterans mean to you. Select essays may appear with the student's name and school in an upcoming edition of the Bristol Herald Courier. Students are asked to bring their essays to **JOE TENNIS** - features writer and columnist - who is appearing at this year's Career Fair at Virginia High School on Oct. 19. Any questions? Please email Joe Tennis, jtennis@bristolnews.com. Call or text 276-791-0709. PLEASE LEAVE WITH THE SCHOOL SECRETARY IN THE OFFICE AT YOUR SCHOOL AND COMPLETE NO LATER THAN NOV. 21

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AGE 11 / GRADE 5th

ESSAY TITLE: Why Veterans Day is important to me.
Veteran's Day Celebrates all soldiers, living or
dead. It honors the soldiers and all of their sacrifices
including the time they couldn't spend with their
family. Also it celebrates the war they been through
all of the trauma and misery. Every year we have parades,
fireworks and so much more to honor them. My 3rd and
father used to serve in the military. Not only
it celebrates the dead it celebrates the Marines
and Navy. They also help people who were affected by
natural disasters. When they come home they may
not recover from some injuries. They had been through
a lot of war since 1914 to 2017. While we were living
our everyday lives we didn't know that people were fighting.
The military kept us safe from our enemies. This is
reason we celebrate Veteran's Day is to honor
the soldiers living or dead.