



MILITARY SIGNING WEEK



THE 5TH ANNUAL MILITARY SIGNING WEEK OCCURRED ON

APRIL 20-24, 2026

Schools were encouraged to conduct local events celebrating students attending high school who made a special commitment to serve and defend the public as a member of the United States Armed Forces. While some events occurred outside of the recognized week, all provided students a unique opportunity to learn about military career paths which may be available to them upon graduation.



45

West Virginia Military Signing Week and related events

211

Students recognized for commitments to military services

55

Army National Guard

22

Active or Reserve Air Force

34

Active or Reserve Army

18

Active or Reserve Navy

16

Air National Guard

16

Active or Reserve Marines

49

Specific Branch Unidentified

1

Active or Reserve Coast Guard

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A BRIEF HISTORY OF MILITARY SIGNING WEEK IN WEST VIRGINIA

The Common Ground Partnership is committed to supporting the success of all students and helping them become career ready to pursue post-secondary education, employment or enlistment at graduation. Since April of 2022, this initiative has celebrated students entering public service in the United States armed forces with the following results:

First Military Signing Week on April 25 – 29, 2022, and related events

10 Schools participated

Second Military Signing Week on April 24 – 28, 2023, and related events

35 Schools participated

181 Students recognized

Third Military Signing Week on April 22 – 26, 2024, and related events

46 Schools participated

259 Students recognized

Fourth Military Signing Week on April 7 – 11, 2025, and related events

49 Schools participated

288 Students recognized

Fifth Military Signing Week on April 20 – 24, 2026, and related events

44 Schools participated and one county-wide recognition

211 Students recognized



To learn more about Military Signing Week and the Common Ground Partnership, please visit <http://wvde.us/commonground>. View and post images or videos of partnership activities at #commongroundwv.