



SUPPORT FOR SCHOOLS AND THE SUCCESS OF ALL STUDENTS

The West Virginia Common Ground Partnership collaborates with schools across the state to advance the success of all students. By establishing a shared goal of supporting the well-being of children, the partnership positively impacts the development, safety, and career readiness of young citizens. Their activities aim to ensure that every student pursues healthy lifestyles, achieves economic prosperity, and reaches their full potential.

SPEAKER SERIES

The Common Ground Partnership's homepage empowers schools with the ability to request that a guest speaker from the military visit their school, either in-person or virtually (may be available as online only at times during the 2021-2022 school year). School personnel plan for the arrival of their guest by working with them closely to determine the format (ex. online platform) and content to be covered during their appearance.

Speaker Series topics include the following:

- » Bullying deterrence
- » Conducting flag-folding ceremonial instruction
- » Inspiring students to stay in school and graduate
- » Promoting literacy by reading aloud to students
- » Promoting physical fitness and nutrition
- » Providing career exploration opportunities
- » Providing resources to conduct patriotic events
- » Substance abuse prevention





ONLINE RESOURCES

- » *The Common Ground Partnership's homepage provides a wide variety of resources aimed at assisting students with career exploration and test preparation for post-secondary opportunities.*

TAILORING ACTIVITIES TO MEET YOUR SCHOOL'S NEEDS

Military organizations are comprised of talented experts from a wide variety of career fields that our students aspire to join. These fields include medicine, law, transportation, logistics, engineering, aeronautics, communications, and so much more. Common Ground partners are interested in finding ways to make a positive impact on the effectiveness of schools and career readiness. Ask our military representatives about how they might be able to assist you in meeting the unique needs of students.

SUPPORT FOR MILITARY FAMILIES

PURPLE STAR AWARD



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WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

We live in a state that is widely known for its contributions to military service. Many West Virginians are veterans who serve in National Guard, Reserve, or active components of the United States armed forces and have families with children attending school. During times when these families relocate to meet duty requirements or experience the absence of a loved one while on deployment, schools have an opportunity to meet the unique needs of these children. The Purple Star Award is designed to recognize schools that create a military-friendly environment and make a special commitment to supporting the resilience of military connected children. To learn how your school may apply for a Purple Star Award, please visit the Common Ground Partnership's homepage.

