

VETERANS DAY



Above: Living up to his name, NICH secondary Civil Air Patrol member Favor Mabayoje exudes a stoic dignity during the Armed Forces Medley at the start of the program.



Above: Under the direction of Mrs. Leuschner, the NICH secondary theatre arts team presents a dynamic performance to a medley from the popular musical, Hamilton.



Above: NIA's superintendent Dr. Sheba George introduces the esteemed guest speaker of the event, Mrs. Julie Pickren. Pickren gave an eloquent address about the heritage of America and linked America's success to the service from its veterans.

Below, First: NIA is honored by the presence of Mrs. Julie Pickren, member of the State Board of Education and staunch supporter of providing children with an education that aligns with the American dream and values.

Below, Second: Students from NIA Fort Worth's fourth grade class proudly wave their flags during "Thank You, Military," a tribute to sacrifices made by our brave soldiers.

Below, Third: The unshakeable silhouette of a military service member is juxtaposed against a patriotic expanse of red, white, and blue in the beautiful artwork by NIAA Gibbins eleventh grader Stephanie Kemunto.

Below, Fourth: It takes strong leaders to raise up strong Warriors! Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Durling, Mrs. Duncan, and Mrs. Blakeslee, fantastic leaders of NIA, stand as one after the Veterans Day program.

Below, Fifth: Students from NIAA Site and other elementary campuses lead the "Armed Forces Medley" from on stage.



Above: The honorable leaders of NIA stand in solidarity with distinguished guests and students in a small glimpse of what the future could hold for future generations.



Newman International Academy's annual Veterans Day Salute, held on November 12, 2024, honored the brave men and women who have served our nation. Students, staff, and community members came together in gratitude, reflecting on the sacrifices made to protect our freedoms. Through stirring performances and artistic tributes, this event highlighted the enduring spirit of patriotism and the profound impact of military service, reaffirming our district's commitment to honoring and supporting our veterans.



Above, First: Flautists from the NIA Cedar Hill secondary band class perform a poignant tribute to visiting veterans with "Wondrous Love."

Above, Second: The wonderful Warriors from NIA Watauga offer a fantastic display of thankfulness and appreciation for veterans by singing "Thankful for the USA."

Above, Third: Mr. Charles Paulk stands proudly as he hears his military branch's anthem sung. Mr. Paulk has been a stalwart part of NIA since its second year of operation and continues to provide NIAA Warriors with a strong example of selfless service.

Above, Fourth: Natalia Ortiz Martinez, Sonela Grace Untalan, and Lakeshia Dorsey gather around the beautiful welcome table, showing smiling faces and grateful hearts to veterans as they enter the door.

Above, Fifth: Students from the NIAA Fielder elementary campus provide the audience with an enthusiastic rendition of "Three Cheers for America." All Newman Warriors in attendance put forth their best efforts to honor veterans with their performances.



Above: Ladies from the NIA Gibbins secondary drill team dance their hearts out as they put on a "USO Medley." The United Service Organizations (USO) was originally founded to boost the morale of the armed forces in World War II and continues to support the military and their families to this day.



Above: In a moving design by Gibbins Warrior Blessing Obasa, an elder veteran is seen in the foreground saluting the flag and future generations of military men and women. NIA Gibbins advanced art students brought Obasa's vision to life.

Left: Under the direction of Mrs. Reynolds, students from NIA Mansfield bring "One Nation" to life with ribbons of bright blue and smiles of gratefulness.

