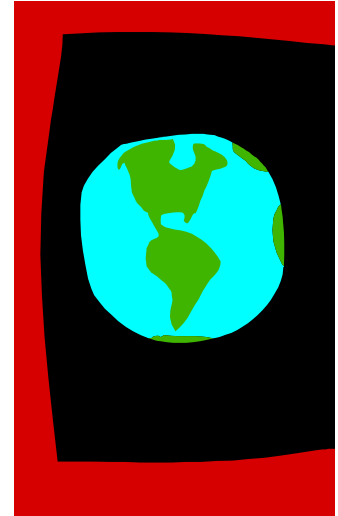
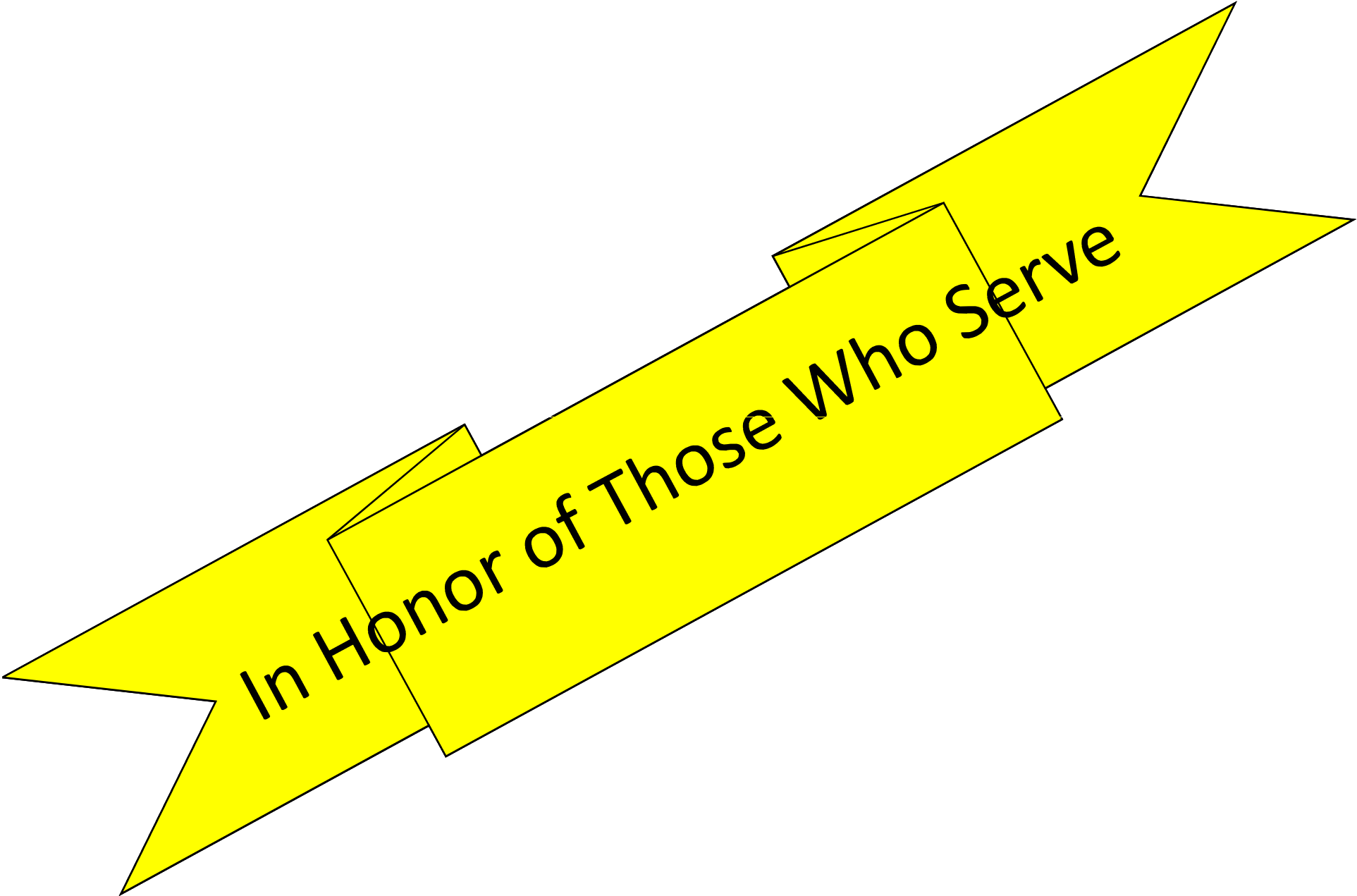


10th Anniversary of 9/11/01

Including our
English Language Learners

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In Honor of Those Who Serve

By September 11, 2011:

It will be ten years since the attack in the USA.

Students in grades 5 and younger will not have ever had the opportunity to know first hand a NYC with the World Trade Center a.k.a. Twin Towers.

Those in grades 6-12 were between 7 years old and birth when 9/11 occurred; in grades 2 and newborn.

Many ELLs and families were not in New Jersey or the USA when the events of 9/11 occurred in NY, PA, VA

Therefore, we have the responsibility to:

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Preplanning Ponderings

Staff

- Background Knowledge
- Age
- Personal connections
- Sensitivity
- Geography
- Knowledge of history
- Other-

Students

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In the ESL Classroom:

- Fill in the background and historical information
- Break down vocabulary presented in read aloud books
- Discuss sensitivity of events – past and present
- Tap into ELLs' artistic abilities
- Discuss impact of events – positive and negative

Positive connections to engage all ELLs and Bilingual/ESL staff

- Encourage staff to be part of the committee: the topics enrich ESL curriculum and connect to other curricula; emphasize the global aspect of 9/11
- There is a natural connection with the 9/11 topic as we are filling in background information on American and world events:
topic can be introduced all year by addressing various themes: Martin Luther King's message, Veterans' Day

How we have done it thus far

We have tried to:

- Communicate via website, www.nplainfield.org/9-11committee
- Obtain approval of Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent
- Make presentations to Curriculum Committee and Town Forum
- Forge interdisciplinary connections
- Foster continuity throughout district with displays
 - the importance of visuals as public relations
- Obtain support of Mayor
- Acknowledge and thank the veterans in district schools
- Engage in networking
- Seek and thank donors of time, money and items

Theme throughout the district

K-12



Our Show and Tell
Our Sharing Time with You

Parental Connection Possibilities

(While recognizing that there are a variety of family structures):

- *Kid Vote
- *Voter's Registration
- *Citizenship Ceremonies
- *Letters
- *Presenters
- *Viewing displays that include work and photos of their children
- *Invite for student performances
- *Sew
- *Crochet

Staff and Student Participation Ways ELLs and Bilingual Students Participate

Worldwide memorials for 9/11

Overseas responses to 9/11

Translations of poems and texts

Multilingual displays

Artistic works and musical performances

NJROTC

Cultural Understanding

We remember



We can never forget

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Enjoy the rest of the conference

Travel safely