

FLAG EDUCATION PROGRAM

Purpose: To teach children respect for the American flag and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Target audience: children in 4th grade.

Time allowed for presentation – 45 minutes maximum.

Participants in the program: Veterans (at least 3) in uniform, ie: members of the MCL Honor Guard. MCLA members of the unit (at least 3) in casual uniform: polo shirt with MCLA logo, blue or black slacks and MCLA cover, if possible.

Suggested materials: Patriotic Movie under 20 minutes in length.

“For Which It Stands” video *

Red Skelton’s Pledge of Allegiance (UTube)

Copy of The Pledge of Allegiance for each presenter

History of the Marine Corps Rose

Marine Corps Rose for each Teacher

US flag (Burial size 51/2 by 9 ft)

13 Folds Of The Flag for veterans/Marines folding the flag

Student Handouts

Flags on stick one per child in class

“I Love America” An educational Coloring & Activity Book (Amazon)

For each student

***Contact MCLA National Office to obtain video information**

PROGRAM FORMAT

WELCOME

Introductions of participants

Introduce movie

The Pledge of Allegiance

(2 MCLA members explain the meaning of each line)

Story and meaning of the Marine Corps Rose

(MCLA member) 1MCLA member reads, second member presents Rose to teacher(s)

2 Marines present the folded flag, open fully, hold up for all to see.
As each fold is made, 3rd Marine explains it's meaning.

Save time for questions from children. They will be eager to ask and challenge everyone.