

Remembrance Day Sample Assembly

From McLaughlin Collegiate, Oshawa

Here is what the students have put together. I would like to stress that I am letting the students have near total control of the service.

Introduction:

Emphasising proper decorum and the over all message of the Remembrance Day service, which is 'Thank-you', in honour of the Year of the Veteran

Drama:

The dramatic presentation will show a modern Canadian teen and her Grandmother recounting the story of the Grandfather's experience in WWII through letters he wrote.

Video montage: Going to war

Drama: Continuation of the story

Video montage: Fighting the war

Choir:

Music fitting for the service, such as "In Flanders Fields"

Dance:

An original student-created dance movement set to "Amazing Grace", to evoke the emotion of redemption.

Choir: See above

Drama/Video:

Montage of still images of war memorials, reading of Grandfather's final letter before his death in WWII.

Video Montages:

MCVI students thanking veterans, and "McLaughlin Remembers", were students, and staff are shown with a photo of a relative who served for Canada or its allies.

Walk of Honour:

Attending veterans walk to the stage, and pay homage to their fallen comrades.

(Note: This may be removed depending on number of veterans in attendance)

The service should run approximately 35 to 40 mins.

The rationale for the choices is to try to reconnect today's youth with the veterans, and the experiences which they had while in service our country. Additionally, the students earn valuable life and academic experiences which will assist them not only in the curriculum, but also in life outside of high school.