

Ennio Paola provides the following lesson that starts with an intercom presentation and ends with writing postcards to veterans.

Objectives: To honour Canadian Veterans and engage new generations of Canadians in celebrating the contributions of Canadian Forces during WWII.

Grade Levels: 7 - 12

Materials: * PA system, *Sheet Music "Della Quercia" (solo Piano or Concert Band versions)* Instruments or Player(Piano or Recording Playback Device i.e. Cassette Tape Player, or CD player as per format recording) * Lyrics to L.O.V.E. I.S. ... (Let's Oppose Violence Everywhere ... In Schools/In Society) ... available on-line at www.newsongsforpeace.org/songs-paola2.html * Postcard sized cards (note: Blank on both sides)

Part one

Read the story of CONFLUENCE AND DELLA QUERCIA to class, at planned assembly or over school PA system @ 2:11 on November 11, 2005

Part two

Follow-up the reading of CONFLUENCE AND DELLA QUERCIA with a moment of silence to honour Veterans (accompanied by a Live or Pre-Recorded performance of "Della Quercia: Hymn of Faith, Hymn of Hope, Hymn of Peace" for solo Piano or as arranged for Concert Band).

Part three

POSTCARDS FOR VETS CAMPAIGN

Read: lyrics to: L.O.V.E. I.S. ... (Let's Oppose Violence Everywhere ... In Schools/In Society) from UN endorsed NEW SONGS FOR PEACE project at www.newsongsforpeace.org/songs-paola2.html

At the end of reading L.O.V.E. I.S.... distribute postcard sized cards and instruct students to write L.O.V.E. I.S. ... on Side A. On the reverse, Side B, students are to reflect on Readings and Veterans and complete the phrase L.O.V.E. I.S. . . . _____ with their own idea.

Part four

POSTCARDS FOR VETS CAMPAIGN: Mailing

Collect all student-created L.O.V.E. I.S. ... cards, compose a school covering letter to Veterans and mail to nearest Veterans Health Care Facility in Ontario. Addresses follow:

Dr. David McCutcheon,
President,
Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre
2075 Bayview Avenue,
Toronto, ON
M4N 3M5

Greg Fougere,
Executive Director,
Perley and Rideau Veterans Health Centre,
1750 Russell Road,
Ottawa, ON
K1G 5Z6

Michael Boucher,
Vice-President,
Parkwood Hospital,
London, ON
N6C 5J1

How To Send Postcards

1. Mail your school's cards in a single package with a covering letter to the appropriate address(es).
2. Covering Letters should include Students' Grade(s), School Name and address.
3. It would be helpful to mention that this is a "READING AND REMEMBRANCE" activity.

Please note that Veterans Affairs states: "We know that the peacekeepers and veterans who receive postcards will appreciate them greatly, but we cannot promise that your students will receive replies."