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Subject: Message #37: Flag Education Program

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To: adecurriculum@lists.state.ar.us

From: Arkansas Department of Education Curriculum and Instruction Unit

Dear Arkansas Curriculum Leaders:

Please share the following information about flag etiquette and protocol with your social studies teachers.

During the spring term of the 1988-89 school year, the Arkansas Department of Veterans Affairs (ADVA) supported the state's major veterans groups in the first state-coordinated effort to introduce Arkansas school children to flag etiquette and to the proper way to show respect to the American flag. The veterans groups are continuing to present an American Flag education program to Arkansas' 5th graders. The presentation is solely about the American Flag.

Representatives from one of the veterans groups in your area will be contacting you to request approximately forty-five minutes of classroom time to make a presentation on flag etiquette. The Arkansas Department of Education (ADE) appreciates each school's cooperation with the veterans groups in this statewide effort. Flag etiquette is in the Arkansas Social Studies Curriculum Framework Grades K-5, Strand: Civics/Government, Content Standard 2 under Citizenship.

To assist in this endeavor, ADE has begun the process of moving Arkansas Annotated Code A.C.A. § 6-16-105 regarding the U.S. Flag, the ADVA American Flag education program information and materials, and the Arkansas Secretary of State's Office Protocol for the Arkansas State Flag information and materials to a more prominent and easily accessible place on the ADE Website under Curriculum and Instruction on the Social Studies page. For more information, please contact:

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Please share this information with others that might be interested. Thank you for serving the students of Arkansas.

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