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Enclosed is a list of schools that held Veterans Day events arranged by county. Please note the names of schools in your coverage area.

Gale praises schools that held Veterans Day events

LINCOLN – Secretary of State John Gale praised the high number of Nebraska schools that held Veterans Day events this year.

"My office has been notified by 157 schools and classes of their Veterans Day events," Gale said. "This is a very impressive number, but there are undoubtedly many schools that held events that did not notify my office.

"I'm delighted that so many schools took the time and effort to put on Veterans Day events. These schools performed a great public service to honor our Nebraska veterans."

Gale sponsors the Honor a Veteran program, which encourages Nebraska schools to hold Veterans Day events. The program, which started in 2008, is designed to enhance civics education and recognize the contributions and sacrifices of veterans.

Gale will send a certificate of appreciation to each school and class that notified his office that it held a 2011 Veterans Day event.

"We often hear that freedom isn't free," Gale said. "As Nebraska's chief election officer, I am passionate about promoting good citizenship.

"We all need to know about the sacrifices of our veterans who have defended our freedom and our democracy during our nation's history. Connecting our students and our veterans helps our students to learn this profound truth."

Planning guides, including a speakers bureau, to help put on a Veterans Day event are available for schools at www.sos.ne.gov under the Youth Services tab.

Gale was the keynote speaker at Veterans Day events at three schools this year.

Schools Holding Events

Adams County: Silver Lake High School, Roseland.

Antelope County: Neligh-Oakdale Public Schools.

Boone County: St. Edward Public Schools; Cedar Rapids Public School; St. Michael's School, Albion.

Brown County: Ainsworth Community Schools.

Buffalo County: Amherst Public School; Ravenna Public Schools.

Burt County: Oakland-Craig High School; Lyons-Decatur Northeast School.

Butler County: David City Middle School; David City High School; Aquinas Catholic High School, David City.

Cass County: Conestoga Junior-Senior High School, Murray; Plattsmouth Community School.

Cedar County: Laurel-Concord Public Schools.

Cherry County: Valentine Middle School; Cody-Kilgore Schools.

Clay County: Sandy Creek Public Schools, Fairfield.

Cuming County: West Point Public Schools; Bancroft-Rosalie School; Wisner-Pilger Public Schools.

Custer County: Ansley Public Schools; Broken Bow Public School.

Dakota County: Homer Community School District; Cardinal Elementary School, South Sioux City; South Sioux City Middle School; Dakota City Elementary School; Covington Elementary School, South Sioux City; E.N. Swett Elementary School, South Sioux City.

Dawes County: Chadron Middle School.

Dawson County: Lexington Public Schools; Gothenburg Public Schools.

Dodge County: Scribner-Snyder Community Schools; Linden Elementary School, Fremont; Dodge Public School; Fremont High School; Trinity Lutheran School, Fremont.

Douglas County: Ralston Middle School; Manchester Elementary School, Omaha; Skyline Elementary School, Elkhorn; Fire Ridge Elementary School, Elkhorn; Elkhorn South High School; Benson High School, Omaha; Spring Ridge Elementary School, Omaha; Kiewit Middle School, Omaha; Concordia Academy, Omaha; Holy Name Middle School, Omaha; Bennington Elementary School; St. Cecilia Cathedral School, Omaha; St. Wenceslaus Catholic School, Omaha; Rohwer Elementary School, Omaha; Douglas County West Community Schools, Valley; St. Pius X/St. Leo School, Omaha.

Fillmore County: Fillmore Central High School, Geneva.

Frontier County: Eustis-Farnam Public School.

Furnas County: Southern Valley Elementary School, Oxford.

Gage County: Beatrice Middle School; St. Joseph Catholic School, Beatrice.

Garfield County: Burwell Junior-Senior High School.

Hall County: Walnut Middle School, Grand Island; Doniphan-Trumbull Public School; Grand Island Senior High School; Wood River Rural High School; Centura Public School, Cairo.

Hamilton County: Hampton Public Schools.

Harlan County: Alma Public Schools.

Hitchcock County: Wauneta-Palisade Public Schools.

Holt County: O'Neill Public Schools; St. Mary's High School, O'Neill; West Holt Public Schools, Atkinson.

Jefferson County: Fairbury Junior-Senior High School.

Johnson County: Sterling Public Schools; Johnson County Central Public School, Tecumseh.

Kearney County: Wilcox-Hildreth Public School; Minden Public Schools.

Keith County: St. Paul's Lutheran School, Ogallala.

Kimball County: Kimball High School.

Knox County: Creighton Community Schools.

Lancaster County: Raymond Central Schools; Lux Middle School, Lincoln; St. Peter's School, Lincoln; Norris Middle School, Firth; Malcolm Public Schools; Irving Middle School, Lincoln; Waverly Public Schools; Northeast High School, Lincoln; Faith Lutheran School, Lincoln; Trinity Lutheran School, Lincoln; Sacred Heart School, Lincoln.

Lincoln County: Hall Elementary School, North Platte; Lincoln Elementary School, North Platte; Maxwell Public Schools; Sutherland Public School; Our Redeemer Lutheran School, North Platte.

Madison County: Norfolk Middle School; Grant Elementary School, Norfolk; Norfolk High School; Woodland Park Elementary School, Norfolk.

Merrick County: High Plains Middle School, Clarks.

Morrill County: Bayard Schools; Bridgeport Public Schools.

Nance County: Fullerton Public Schools.

Nemaha County: Johnson-Brock Public School; Auburn Public Schools.

Nuckolls County: Superior Public School; Lawrence-Nelson Public School.

Otoe County: Nebraska City Middle School; Hayward Elementary School, Nebraska City; Palmyra Junior-Senior High School.

Pawnee County: Pawnee City Public Schools.

Perkins County: Perkins County High School, Grant.

Pierce County: Osmond Community Schools; Plainview High School.

Platte County: Humphrey Public School; Platte Center Elementary School; Shell Creek Elementary School, Columbus.

Polk County: Osceola Public Schools.

Richardson County: Falls City High School.

Rock County: Rock County Public Schools, Bassett.

Saline County: Crete High School; Wilber-Clatonia Public Schools; Tri County Public Schools, DeWitt; Crete Middle School.

Sarpy County: Papillion-LaVista School District; Papillion-LaVista South High School; Gretna Elementary School; Palisades Elementary School, Gretna; Thomas Elementary School, Gretna; Gretna Middle School; Gretna High School; Platteview High School, Springfield.

Saunders County: Cedar Bluffs Public Schools; Ashland-Greenwood Public Schools; Wahoo High School; Bishop Neumann High School, Wahoo.

Scotts Bluff County: Northfield Elementary School, Gering.

Seward County: Seward Public Schools; Milford Public Schools; Centennial Public School, Utica; St. Vincent de Paul School, Seward.

Sheridan County: Gordon-Rushville High School.

Sherman County: Loup City High School.

Stanton County: Stanton Community Schools.

Thayer County: Thayer Central Schools, Hebron; Bruning-Davenport Unified School District.

Thomas County: Thedford High School.

Thurston County: Pender Public Schools; Winnebago Public School.

Valley County: Ord High School.

Washington County: Deerfield Primary School, Blair; Otte Blair Middle School, Blair.

Wayne County: Wayne Community Schools; Winside Public Schools, Wakefield Community School.

York County: McCool Junction Public School; St. Joseph School, York.

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