Do you know a Veteran in our community? Chances are you do, but do your kids know what a Veteran is and what they have done for our country? Veterans have given up so much for our country and our children don’t even know why we celebrate Veterans Day. To them it’s a day off school. Here at CME, we want to teach our students about Veterans with a hands-on experience. So, welcome to our 6th Annual Boot Camp for Veterans event at CME!

**Boot Camp for Veterans**

**Our event will take place on Friday February 21st from 8:50 A.M. to 2:55 P.M.** Students will come outside during their specials times to rotate through six fun army obstacle stations. **Please make sure your child wears sneakers to school on this date. I will also need some volunteers the day of the event. Please contact Wendy Hearyman (P.E. Teacher) at the school if you can volunteer.**

**How Can I Help?**

We will be selling Boot Camp T-shirts that the students may wear on the day of the event and they can also be worn on Fridays as spirit shirts. Money raised from the t-shirt sales will be donated to the American Military Veteran’s Foundation.

Family and friends are welcomed to support your child’s participation by making donations to the event. The money donated will stay locally with the American Military Veteran’s Foundation. They will use the money for supplies to take Veterans, and their families, on a fishing expedition. We ask that our students do NOT go door-to-door or ask strangers for donations. When students receive donations, please place them in an envelope. Please add up all of your donations and make checks payable to the American Military Veterans Foundation. Envelopes are due **Friday February 21st** to the classroom teachers. Please write Boot Camp on your envelope with your child’s name, grade level, and teacher’s name.

This Boot Camp is a fun event that helps teach our students about Veterans, and also helps them to understand the importance of community service. Our efforts truly make a difference in their lives!

**Of special interest: If a student raises $25, they will get to dress down the last week of school! Any student that raises $50 will get to slime a teacher, any student that raises $250 gets to slime Mr. Brown, and if the school raises $5,000, Mr. Brown and Mrs. Weeks will both color their hair our school colors for the day! The class that raises the most money will have their teacher kidnapped by the PE teachers and will have to go on a scavenger hunt to find them!! The top two fundraising 5th graders will get to be the PE teachers for one whole day! The student that raises the most money for the Veterans will receive a hand crafted fishing rod made by a Veteran!!**

Thanks for your support!

Sincerely,

Ms. Hearyman