



**Tulare County Museum**  
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Dear Parents,

The Tulare County Museum is proud to be able to work with your child's teacher in celebrating history! This year marks the 230<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of the U.S. Navy. The museum has partnered with our local veterans to bring this history to life for students. Your child helped us to bring awareness to this time in history by participating in the lesson prepared by their teacher and our community will be thrilled to see their work on display in the museum!

Teachers all over Tulare County have posed essential questions to their students like "What makes someone a hero?" or "What does our flag symbolize?" to get their students thinking about the time in history when our country was new. Each student at the end of the lesson cut out a poppy, which represents a lasting memorial symbol to the fallen, and will be displayed in the museum. We hope that your child learned some new facts about this important history, and we are excited to share this with our community!

On Saturday, November 9 at 11:00 a.m. we will be having a commemoration ceremony and unveiling of the poppy display at the Tulare County Museum inside Mooney Grove Park in Visalia. The ceremony will include the Central Valley Vietnam Veterans Color Guard, a few brief words from local veterans, patriotic songs played by Mt. Whitney High School band, and the unveiling of the students' poppies. We hope that your family will join us in commemorating this piece of history and celebrating our local veterans. The event will be free and open to the public, so bring family and friends to see your child's contribution to the display!

Sincerely,

Amy King-Sunderson  
Museum Curator