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Canyon State Academy students and staff honored members of the United States Military by organizing a ceremony intended to evoke memory and respect for those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our Country. CSA's Mr. Glick, who served as a Ranger in Vietnam, was instrumental in organizing the ceremony which took place on CSA's baseball field. Several men and women from The American Legion Post 97 and officials from various posts throughout Arizona were in attendance.

Student Athletes from the Desert Lily "littles" program provided the ceremony's opening: dressed in military fatigues, the young students carried a banner which read: "Welcome Home." Then, the Equestrian Club and Color Guard joined the ceremony; each rider proudly displayed a flag from each military branch as well as the POW/MIA flag. Next, two CSA student athletes read speeches they had prepared to honor the men and women who never came home to their families.

After a moment of silence and the National Anthem, the Arizona Department Commander of The American Legion, Charles D Bugh, threw out the first pitch of the game. Then, he was presented with a signed baseball from the team. Due to the solemn and touching elements of the event, the relationship between American Legion and our campus increased and the student athletes will directly benefit from it. Together, we will introduce new, on-campus programs and work towards new scholarships students who plan to continue their education and attend college.
