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Dear FCSS Community:

Today is Veterans Day. On behalf of our Board of Education, including Chair Chad Galloway, Vice-Chair Terry Bramlett, Bobby Bearden (U.S. Army), Mike Cole (U.S. Marine Corps), and Lewis DeWeese (U.S. Army), I thank each person who has served, as well as those who are currently serving, our nation as a member of the United States Armed Forces.

It is a tradition in Fannin County for each school to have a special program to honor those who have served. Although the COVID-19 pandemic has caused these programs to be different this year, I am proud of the fact that each of our schools is continuing this tradition.

Freedom is not free, and our military covers the cost to preserve it. Americans turn to our military as the symbolic, yet very real, source of national strength. There is a great pride and faith in our nation's veterans; because of them, we are free. Thanks to today's military, we will remain free.

I encourage you to visit our schools' social media sites to see what each has done to honor our veterans. My very best wishes go to each veteran today. May God Bless America!

Respectfully,

Michael Gwatney, Ed.D.
Superintendent