



Are you a **teacher** who would like to impact your students by . . .

- ★ facilitating character education through experiential learning,
- ★ building appreciation for service and veterans, and
- ★ preserving first-person history?

Are you a **student** interested in . . .

- ★ developing and practicing leadership skills,
- ★ becoming a published author,
- ★ forming relationships with our country's heroes, and
- ★ earning college scholarships?

Would your **school** like to . . .

- ★ improve school culture,
- ★ connect with your community, and
- ★ strengthen student leadership?

**Establish a VHP Chapter at your school.**

VHP partners with educators to facilitate an after-school chapter. Share this brochure with a teacher(s) who would like to volunteer as a chapter advisor or co-advisor.



## Veterans Heritage Project

Founded in 2004 and established as a 501 (c)(3) non-profit in 2009, Veterans Heritage Project's (VHP) mission is to Connect Students with Veterans™ in order to honor veterans, preserve America's heritage, and develop future leaders.

Designated a Character Education Program by the Arizona Department of Education, and aligned with College and Career Readiness Standards, VHP has been recognized by:

- ★ Library of Congress
- ★ Arizona Council for the Social Studies
- ★ Arizona Humanities
- ★ Congressional Medal of Honor Society
- ★ Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame Society
- ★ Arizona Department of Veterans' Services

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Bring Veterans Heritage Project's award-winning character education program to your high school.



Students are empowered to discover their potential by forging relationships with some of our nation's military heroes. By preserving veteran legacies, students develop confidence, character, and leadership skills.



# Connecting Students with Veterans™

## Chapter Program

Students interview U.S. military veterans who share first-person history, life experiences, and lessons of character, leadership, and perseverance.

- ★ Oral history interviews preserved in the Library of Congress
- ★ Students write veterans' service stories for publication in VHP's hardbound book, *Since You Asked™*
- ★ Community book-signing event to honor veterans and recognize student work
- ★ Civic engagement opportunities
- ★ College scholarships – Ten awards, ranging from one-time \$1,000, up to \$17,500 per year for four years

## Educational Support

- ★ Teacher and student leadership training
- ★ Learning Management System
- ★ Veteran and civic group connections
- ★ Editing support
- ★ Technology tools
- ★ Badgr digital credentials that validate skills and accomplishments



## Program Activities Timeline

June	2-hour Zoom Teacher Training
Aug/Sept	Student Recruitment
Sept/Oct/Nov	Interviews, Writing, Editing
December	Submission Deadline
January	Scholarship Applications
Feb/March	Archive - Library of Congress
April	Community Book Signing Event

*"VHP is an asset to school culture. It encourages respect for veterans and the history of our country. But, more importantly, the students who are drawn to this program are assets to the school. They are leaders, and become stronger leaders, gaining confidence in communication and service to the community."*

– Gabi Brown, English Teacher at Shadow Mountain High School, Phoenix, AZ

## Next Step

Interested teacher(s) should contact VHP at [info@veteransheritage.org](mailto:info@veteransheritage.org) or (602) 218-4036 x 103 to learn more and receive an application packet. Applications signed by the teacher and school principal are due May 15.

## Participation Fee

Schools can establish their chapter as an Arizona State Tax Credit eligible club with their school or district. The cost of participation is the cost to have the students' work published, \$200 per story. Three story minimum.

## Learning Management System

Our technology platform is intuitive and provides an interactive experience which allows for self-guided progress, with automated milestone deadlines.

### TEACHER ADVISOR GUIDE



The Teacher Advisor Guide provides monthly steps and resources to support the administration of a VHP Chapter.

### VHP STUDENT GUIDE



The VHP Student Guide directs students step-by-step through conducting oral history interviews; writing, editing, and publishing their veterans' stories in *Since You Asked*, and preserving the recorded interviews in the Library of Congress. Video tutorials, interview questions, and writing worksheets are some of the supportive curriculum materials.

The web-based LMS is compatible with the two most recent versions of Chrome, Safari, Edge, and Firefox, and can be used on a laptop, desktop, or mobile device. Compliant with FERPA, COPPA, and other applicable privacy regulations.