



Wappingers schools honor veterans with ceremonies

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WCSD Superintendent Dr. Dwight Bonk at podium at RCK HS for Veterans Day ceremony.

WAPPINGERS FALLS – More than 2,000 high school students joined with district and elected officials on Thursday for the Wappingers Central School District Veteran Recognition Ceremonies. The events took place at both Roy C. Ketcham and John Jay



High Schools, according to Superintendent Dr. Dwight Bonk.

Members of the American Legion, the PTSA, and the community joined 1,900 students at John Jay High School to hear from American Legion Commander James Reynolds, Board of Education President John Lumia, Principal David Kedzielawa, and Superintendent Bonk.



Judge Chase with students

On the other side of town at Roy C. Ketcham High School, local officials joined with the American Legion and United States Marines, staff and students to pay homage to United States veterans who were willing to sacrifice their lives in defense of the country.

School Principal David Seipp and Superintendent Bonk gave remarks along with American Legion Commander, Judge Ray Chase, who spoke on the importance of Veterans Day and spent time with students following the ceremony.

Kalah Boscia spoke at Ketcham and formally recognized WCSD staff members and others who served in the United States Military. Of the veterans recognized, three are members of the BOE – Richard Buckner, Victor Collazo, and Katherine Hall.

Superintendent Bonk delivered his Veterans Day message at both schools. “It is important for us to thank our veterans for their sacrifices made on behalf of our country. If you know or see a veteran, thank them for their service.”

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