Hello, my name is Sample Student and I would like to talk to you today about Veterans Rights.

To start, I have a couple questions to ask you. Please raise your hand…(ask questions).

As you just saw, we all know a veteran, but sadly, we don’t always take the time to thank them for their service. I would like you to consider some sobering statistics and research about this issue. Please watch my powtoons for some troubling facts and the most important things I learned while researching Veterans Rights.

As you can see in the video, our veterans deserve more. They need to know that we care about them and I believe that we can do that at Harper Creek.

My plan is to raise money and awareness for our veterans. I want our community to actual see we care by selling patriotic pinwheels as seen here.

I plan to sell these pinwheels for 2-3 weeks in October and November. I want to do this right before November 11th (Veterans Day). People who purchase a pinwheel, can write down their name or a veterans name in honor of their service, just like you see people do at area stores where you buy a piece of paper, make a donation, and sign your name.

I will sell these pinwheels in the cafeteria so I don’t interfere with classes and ask for volunteers including NHS, the asset committee, student senate and seniors who need service hours.

There will be some costs for this project, but it will be minimal. I will buy 216 pinwheels from the Oriental Trading Company online. They have the best deal…buy 36 for $10.99. Overall the cost for these, plus shipping would be $65.94. I will also need to buy sharpie makers for people to use to sign their names on the pinwheels. A 12 pack can be purchased at Office Max for 8.69 in the store. I would like to ask student senate or Mr. Montange for a loan to cover the costs and repay him.

If I sell the pinwheels for $2.00 each, I can make a profit of $432 (and 357.37) that can be donated to Stop Soldier Suicide.org. They even do a campaign, and after this first year, we could try to make this a bigger event and raise more money and involve the elementary and middle school.

While the money might seem small, the bigger part of this project is the awareness that will come when we set these pinwheels up on the law in front of our school like you see here.

My next steps are to talk to Mr. Montange about the money as well as using the lawn to set up these pinwheels on November 11th. I also need to find volunteers to help sell in the cafeteria and set up the pin wheels by November 11th.

My goals are sell all 216 pinwheels and raise money, as well as have the community see the pinwheels for the month of November. Hopefully then, everyone will actually take the time to celebrate Nov. 11th.

And finally, let me ask you all…how many of you would be willing to purchase a pinwheel and honor a veteran?

Thank you for your time!