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Wapakoneta Middle School students and staff are excited to start Thanksgiving Break! Everyone has been working so hard and a break should refresh both the students and the staff.

Students at WMS had a great November that was highlighted by the Veterans' Day Activities. These activities started on November 9 with nine veterans from different branches of the United States Armed Forces speaking to our 7th grade students about their time serving our country. Students really appreciated this opportunity and I would like to thank them for taking time to sit with our students.

On November 11, Wapakoneta Middle School hosted its 13th annual Veterans' Day program. The day started with a reception in the cafeteria and finished with a tremendous assembly that always brings tears and goosebumps to those in attendance. It is estimated that over 300 Veterans and their families were present for the event. The assembly is organized and facilitated by the Student Council and they, as always, did an excellent job. I would like to thank the WMS Student Council, Student Council Advisor Joni Wade, the VFW Color Guard, Mrs. Schmitz's and Mrs. Daum's classes, the WMS choirs, WMS Choir Director Mary Dildine, WMS band, WMS Band Director Steve Wimmers, and our

keynote speaker Jeff Tracey for their parts in providing this excellent learning experience for our students.