



## Writers for Fighters



The **Writers for Fighters** initiative at D.S. Pullen Elementary is entering its 5<sup>th</sup> year. **Writers for Fighters** is an opportunity for students, faculty, parents and Pullen family to write notes, cards and letters of encouragement, appreciation and support to our nation's "fighters". Over the years, we have written to numerous USO facilities, to the US Navy, US ARMY, US Marines, and US Air Force as well as to groups like the Boston First Responders, the Waco First Responders and to many other groups who in some way have, or are, "fighting" for our great nation or its people.

*We meet, typically, in Mrs. Woodard's classroom one day per month. This is usually the 3rd Thursday of the month, and all of these Thursdays are on the Pullen Calendar for this year. We meet additional dates when we have a need arise, or are planning a district or community event in which **Writers for Fighters** will participate. Dates for 2015-16 are: Sept. 17, Oct. 15, Nov. 12, Dec. 10, Jan. 21, Feb. 18, March 10, and April 7<sup>th</sup>. We may meet in May for special Memorial Day activities as well.*

We do offer **Writers for Fighters** T-shirts. They are \$12 for youth and we have designed both male and female shirt design. The shirts are Navy blue and we try to wear them for community service **Writers for Fighters** opportunities and at will throughout the school year.

For a student to attend a monthly meeting, that student needs to first, share this completed form with their homeroom teacher during their morning routine. Then, at day's end, bring this permission slip to me after school on Thursday meetings days. **This form needs to be complete and parents need to know to pick up their child FROM MY CLASSROOM between 3:45 and 4:00 pm**. I am located in Room 103, the last room on the right in 6<sup>th</sup> grade hallway. Students are always welcome to have their parents join them to write; they are welcome to bring a safe snack, water bottles, etc. Some weeks we have a specific cause, group, or location in mind and some days, the kids choose who they'd like to write their letters to.

**Donations are always welcome.** We are always in need of: postage donations of cash, blank stationary and note cards, small water bottles, safe, easy snacks and fun writing instruments. These can be brought to room 103 or put in **Woodard Lounge Mailbox** at any time ☺ **Thank you so much for supporting our efforts.**

**To order a shirt: Put \$12.00 in an envelope. Include: Full Name, Gender, and size of shirt needed.**

**Be sure to indicate YOUTH size (SML OR XL) or ADULT size (SML or XL). Adult shirts are \$14.00.**

**Put envelope in WOODARD Lounge Mailbox and please label the envelope, "Writers for Fighters".**

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Teacher at Pullen \_\_\_\_\_

Parent phone number \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Email \_\_\_\_\_

I understand my child will be going straight from his/her classroom to Mrs. Woodard's room at school dismissal and will remain in room 103 until I pick him/her up from Mrs. Woodard between 3:45-4:00 pm.

**Parent Signature**