

## **Veterans in the Classroom Seminar**

The Veterans in the Classroom program was developed by the Flagler County Veterans Advisory Council, in order to implement Florida Statute Title XLVIII, Chapter 1003, Section 42, in the Flagler County School District.

The Statute is excerpted as follows:

*Members of the instructional staff of the public schools, subject to the rules and regulations of the commissioner, the state board, and the school board, shall teach efficiently and faithfully, using the books and materials required, following the prescribed courses of study, and employing approved methods of instruction, the following:*

*Sub Section (t): In order to encourage patriotism, the sacrifices that Veterans have made in serving our country and protecting democratic values worldwide. Such instruction must occur on or before Veterans' Day and Memorial Day. Members of the instructional staff are encouraged to use the assistance of local veterans when practical.*

The veterans who volunteer will carry out this program happily because of the immense potential for good that can derive from their doing so. It is a way for teachers, Veterans, and students to share the rich memories that Veterans have kept in their hearts. America's Military Veterans are walking and talking history lessons. Veterans' participation in classrooms can bring a touch of reality that will bring history home to our students.