

Students offer pledges of allegiance to country

Students in Chuck Zimmerman's eighth grade class at Norton Junior High School wrote about their thoughts on freedom.

Operation Iraqi Freedom, the events of 9-11 and a general feeling of patriotism led Mr. Zimmerman to ask his students to write and share their thoughts with the newspaper.

All poems and essays emphasized patriotism and pride for their country.

Also included in this section are

posters drawn by Norton Community High School art students Kylee Witt and Tosha Lyon.

The writings and posters used in this section are just a sampling of the work the students produced.

We would like to thank Mr. Zimmerman and all his students for their fine work.

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As we celebrate the Fourth of July with barbecues, fireworks and revelry, it's important to remember the true meaning of this important holiday. On the birthday of our nation, we celebrate freedom and democracy while saluting the heroic efforts of those who have fought for and defended our liberty since July 4, 1776. We're proud of our country, our people, our history and our standing as a symbol of hope, freedom and democracy to people around the world. Happy Birthday, America, and may you continue to prosper and stand strong through future challenges, as you have so many times in the past.

Remember to proudly display your American flag on July 4!

God Bless America

What does it mean to be an American? It means to have freedom. To have your rights and to stand up for your country in times of need. If we weren't Americans then we wouldn't be able to do the stuff we do now.

Like go to college and choose what we want to do for a living. We can have the right to say what we want to say and not get in trouble for speaking our minds.

Andrew Black



America means to be free that means I can be me As a lady I'm free to own a goat or even ride a boat

when I'm 18 I can then vote Most important is our country's tag It is the red, white and blue flag

Ashley Maybon



Being an American means being free to speak what you want. You can write whatever you want as long as it is true, which is a good thing.

We live in a good, free, country and I enjoy being a part of this kind of country.

We have freedom to get a great education and follow whatever religion we choose to follow.

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