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Patriot Day News

Directions: Read the short news article below about a Patriot Day ceremony. Then write a clear, respectful summary of the article in 3-5 sentences using your own words. Focus on who, what, when, where, and why.

News Article: Patriot Day Ceremony Unites a Community

On September 11, students, teachers, and local first responders gathered at Lincoln High School for a Patriot Day remembrance ceremony. The event began with a moment of silence at 8:46 a.m., the time the first plane struck the Twin Towers in 2001. The school's choir performed *"The Star-Spangled Banner,"* and several students shared personal reflections about what courage and unity mean today.

Firefighters and police officers stood side by side as the principal spoke about the importance of remembering those who served and sacrificed. The ceremony ended with the raising of the American flag to half-staff, followed by the words, "We remember. We stand together." For many attendees, the morning served as a reminder that even in tragedy, hope and kindness can bring people closer.

Writing Task - Summarize the article in your own words. Your summary should:

- Capture the main events and emotions of the ceremony.
- Use concise and respectful language.
- Avoid copying sentences directly from the article.
