

Candle Lighting Ceremony

Community Objective(s)

To provide a service for a local cemetery by helping prepare containers with sand, positioning a candle in the center, and lighting these candles on grave sites at their annual holiday service. To enhance pride and create a sense of belonging in the community.

Background

A local cemetery contacted our school to see if any of the students would like to help with this service. The students wanted to participate and the project began.

Challenged Student Conditions

- ~Physically, mentally, educationally and socially challenged students can be service providers in the candle lighting service by:
- ~Including them in the planning
- ~Providing assistance when necessary
- ~Working in teams
- ~Assigning appropriate responsibilities

Resources

- ~Volunteers
- ~Means of transportation
- ~Containers with sand
- ~Candles

Timeline

- Month #1
 - ~Contact the site
 - ~Seek volunteers
 - ~Assign duties
 - ~Schedule a date for the service
 - ~Advertise the service date in media
- Month #2
 - ~Gather all the materials
 - ~Perform the service

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Reflection

- ~Journal entries on the service
- ~Discussion about the activities
- ~Evaluation of the experience

Celebration

- ~Display the photo essay of the service at school
- ~Award certificates to participants

Academic Objectives

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Process/Workplace Objectives

- ~Use encouragement, persuasion, and motivation to complete an assignment as a team. Develop an effective team using good communication skills and decision-making practices. (PWE.17, PW 17)

Mathematics

- ~Use math skills to estimate and compute measurements. Select an appropriate process for estimating and computing. (11.11, 11.12)

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