



Writing Applications Intermediate Language Arts/Social Studies

Overview:

Students will view video clips at www.purpleamerica.us. Class will discuss “giving back” to the community. Students will participate in a letter writing campaign to residents of a local nursing home, or service men/women as a way of “giving back” to the community.

Standard:

Write letters that include all the proper parts: date, proper salutation, body, closing and signature. Describe ways in which citizens can promote the common good and influence their government through activities such as voting, communicating with officials, participating in organizations and doing volunteer work.

Objectives:

When this lesson is completed, students will:
Create a letter to a resident of a local nursing home or a service man/woman in order to give back to those around them.

Length: 1 class period for rough draft. 1 class period for final copy.

Materials:

Access to video clip from South High titled “Doing the Right Thing” at www.purpleamerica.us.
Paper for letters

Applications:

Step 1

As a class, video clip of South High School at www.purpleamerica.us.

Step 2

Discuss some ways in which the class can give back to the community and volunteer. Brainstorm ways in which the class could give back to the community. (Food drive, write letters to service men/women, letters to nursing home patients)

Step 3

Write letters to support service men/women or letters to nursing home patients.

Assessments:

Teachers should create a rubric to meet their expectations. Students should complete a letter to support our servicemen/women of the United States or a letter to someone in a local nursing home.



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