APPX Service-Learning Project Proposal

This service-learning project is needed to educate students at North Stafford High School on how serious hunger affects millions of people across the world. Along with educating, this project will promote teen involvement in helping these poor-stricken communities and gain students to participate in Freerice.com and other community organizations. With this students could become more interested in participating in local, national, and international projects to improve our world. There are plenty of statistics highlighting how massive world hunger is today.

- 842 million people in the world do not have enough to eat; this number has fallen by 156 million since 1990

- The vast majority of hungry people (827 million) live in developing countries, where 14.3 percent of the population is undernourished

- Asia has the largest share of the world's hungry people (around 552 million) but the trend is downward

- If women farmers had the same access to resources as men, the number of hungry in the world could be reduced by up to 150 million

- Poor nutrition causes nearly half (45%) of deaths in children under five, which equates to 3.1 million children each year

- One out of six children -- roughly 100 million -- in developing countries is underweight, while one in four of the world's children are experiencing stunted growth; in developing countries the proportion can rise to one in three

- 80 percent of the world's stunted children live in just 20 countries

- 66 million primary school-age children attend classes hungry across the developing world, with 23 million in Africa alone

- The World Food Program calculates that $3.2 billion is needed per year to reach all 66 million hungry school-age children.

(http://www.wfp.org/hunger/stats?utm_source=freerice.com&utm_medium=link_lates
t_in_the_fight&utm_campaign=fr_hunger_stats)

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Goal

The goal of this project is to first, feed as many people that are suffering from starvation as possible and second to promote interest and participation among teens in my community to help fight global issues. This project could build a large community of empowered teenagers that are willing and inspired to take action in fighting off massive issues among our world today.

Purpose

The research of the causes and effects of world hunger that will be done, will be used to educate teens on this issue's significance. This research will be gathered from credible book and internet resources. Once the information is gathered it will be distributed with social media such as Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and other websites. Also the information will be shown with posters that will be displayed within my school. With the use of the internet and posters, the name Stafford Teens will be branded as a group which teens can join on Freerice.com. People who join Freerice.com will donate 10 grams of rice to communities in need of food, for each question they answer correctly on the site. If enough students join Stafford Teens, they could significantly contribute to feeding many starving people. Along with this process, it will hopefully interest them to become more active in participating in service projects and solving many global issues. Another part of this project will include informing students of current local, national, and global issues to continue and increase their involvement with other possible projects.

Project Partners DO NOT HAVE TO HAVE

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Timeline

- 12/20/13-1/3/14: researched the topic of world hunger through our credible sources, and have the website set up
- 1/3/14-3/01/14: have posters, announcements, etc. to start projecting our goals to the youth at our high school.
- 3/01/14-8/31/14: have all data collected on how much grain raised
- 6/6/14: host a simplified random sample survey of the population of students attending North Stafford in order to see how beneficial our project has been on influencing students to take part in solving public issues and helping out
- 9/4/13: have project completed and turned in

Resources

The following are what we will need and be using for this project:

- foam boards for posters
- crafting materials to list information on posters
- access to the Internet
- books pertaining to the current issues of world hunger
- paper to print out information to be handed out, turned in, etc.

Date-_____

APPX Project Coordinator's Signature-_____

Students' Signatures-_____

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Comments-

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