

Lesson 5

Post-Visit Activities

Objective: Students can demonstrate their efforts to become a person of good character by creating a poster or by writing a letter to the Park Rangers, either of which will be displayed at the Eisenhower National Historic Site. The letters should review what they learned about the President, and explain how they will try in the future to imitate his outstanding characteristics. The poster might illustrate the student as she or he practices good character traits.

Procedure:

1. The teacher will review the field trip experience with the class and list on a chart some things they knew beforehand about the President, and some things they learned while at the farm.
2. Students will then be given time to create a class poster or individual letter, explaining how they will try to imitate the good character of President Eisenhower.
3. When the poster or letters are complete, they will be sent to the Eisenhower National Historic Site to be put on display in a prominent place for other visitors to see.

Objective: Children who display good character traits during the school year can be selected by their teacher or peers to receive the *Eisenhower Award for Good Character*.

Procedure:

1. The award certificate is included in this packet to be copied for use in the classroom.
2. A list of students that receive the award can be forwarded to the Eisenhower National Historic Site in Gettysburg to be displayed in a prominent place.

Resources for Teacher and Student

World Wide Web Resources

1. <http://www.nps.gov/eise>
2. <http://www.americanpresidents.org/>
3. <http://www.eisenhower.utexas.edu/>
4. <http://www.whitehouse.gov/history/life/>
5. <http://www.archives.gov/presidential-libraries/>
6. <http://www.charactercounts.org/>

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