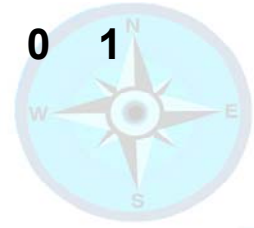

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GRADE: 8

LESSON: 6

THEME: BUILDING COMMUNITY



LESSON GOALS:

- Reflect on the group service activity (talking with the 6th graders) you carried out in Lesson 2.
- Discuss opportunities for additional projects – and build community.

ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS:

- How can I get involved?
- How can I contribute?

MATERIALS NEEDED:

- **Service Worksheet** (*final page of this lesson plan*)
- An activity at school your group can carry out during your advisory time. Your lead advisor will have suggestions for you.

CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES:

1. **Reflect on your group's service activity.** Earlier this year (during Lesson 2), your students helped a group of new 6th graders by talking with them about the school and about activities they could participate in. How did that go? Did your students feel they were helpful? Did they feel they provided a service to the 6th graders? Has your group – or individual students – had the opportunity to continue to mentor the new 6th grade students? Distribute the **Service Worksheet** and ask students to work individually or in small groups to complete it, focusing on the service they provided by talking with the 6th grade students. This worksheet is modeled on forms students will complete in high school if they are required to complete volunteer service activities to graduate. (*5-10 minutes*)
2. **Plan and carry out an activity with your group.** It's important for your students to find ongoing ways to contribute to the life of the school – and to the community of your advisory group. How can they do that? Think of activities your group can carry out. You might want to make a video or slide show about your group, make posters, find an activity at school you can help, or volunteer to help at a nearby elementary school or childcare. (*15-20 minutes*)

STUDENT PRODUCTS:

- **Service Worksheet.** Each student should complete a Service Worksheet outlining the results of your group's 6th grade mentoring project from Lesson 2.



SERVICE WORKSHEET - GR 8



Name: _____ Grade: _____ Advisor: _____

HOW CAN YOU CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY?

One way to contribute is through volunteer service. By helping others, you build your own skills and serve the community.

Think about these questions each time you begin a volunteer service project.

PREPARATION and ACTION:

How did you prepare for the project? Did you spend time thinking about what kind of help was needed? Why did you think you could be helpful?

REFLECTION and DEMONSTRATION:

(Complete AFTER your activity): What did you do? What did you learn? What will you do next time?

