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Personal Enrichment Project (PEP) Proposal

Topic: Giving Teddy Bears To Kids In Hospitals

1. What would you like to learn from this project? What do you hope to be able to do?

I would like to learn how to find what kids need. When I say this, I mean that I want to know how to help kids and know what they need to be comforted in a sometimes new and sometimes scary place. I hope to be able to give teddy bears to children who need something that makes them happy, and a teddy bear is a really comforting item. I want to also make a slideshow or collage of pictures to show what I did at the hospital.

2. Why is this important to you? Is there a community benefit to this project?

This PEP project is important to me because I am kind of following my mother. I love to help people in any way, and I want to be able to help, even at the age I am at. I am following in my mother's footsteps because my mother used to work at a hospital and she even almost went to med school a few times. I feel like this is being like my mother, but different at the same time, and I like that. This is also important to me because I feel so privileged that I don't have a disease like cancer, and I want to be able to show that people care, and people will help, now matter how much you think you are alone, there will always be someone. There is most definitely a community benefit. I am helping people, and that will benefit to the people being helped, and also show that you can do anything, even if you are not an adult.

3. What's your main question? (Make sure that it is open-ended.)

My main driving question is: Where can I go to help out kids who need comforting and what do kids with diseases like cancer need to be comforted?

4. What do you already know about this topic?

Some things I already know are:

→ There are limitations to my visit to a hospital

- I would only be able to give teddy bears to people if the hospital said I could
- I would have to get a count of how many bears I would need
- 4. Create a list of search terms you will use when researching your topic. You must have at least 6 terms.

Hospital, Limitations, Near Me, Cheap, Teddy Bears, Toys, Visit

- 5. What final project do you envision? What will you physically make/create?

I will physically make(buy) teddy bears. I will then sew on positive words. I also want to create a small collage of pictures of my visit in the hospital.

- 6. What resources, materials or expert might you need? Where and how will you get these?

I have a camera, so I would need that. I would also need teddy bears and a sewing kit. I will order teddy bears with a grant, and I have a sewing kit at home. I mostly need to ask for a grant, though.

- 7. Who is the intended audience for this project?

The intended audience for this project is my class, the whole Middle School, anyone who wants to listen.

- 8. What questions do you have about the process or product?

A few questions I have are:

- What are some of the ongoing treatments?
- What hospitals are near me?
- What kinds of hospitals have kids with these diseases?
- What kind of diseases would make an extended stay?
- 9. If you need to purchase materials, a grant proposal form needs to be filled out and submitted to the Fund for Excellence for approval and monetary reimbursement (up to \$50).

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