Philanthropy Across The Curriculum

ENGLISH

- Compile a list or words and define terms related to "philanthropy"
- Read articles in magazines and newspapers that show philanthropy at all ages and in diverse ways of action
- Develop persuasive writing and public speaking by crafting an "Elevator Pitch" to describe in succinct ways the issue, need, plan to act, and ways to participate

SOCIAL STUDIES

- Research philanthropists from history, such as Alexis Soyer; compare their contributions to philanthropists today
- Create a timeline of individuals or collective actions that represent purposeful philanthropy
- Examine how social innovation and social entrepreneurs are making global impact for example through micro-finance loans

MATHEMATICS

- Create a visual to represent the contributions of time and talent in comparison with financial contributions
- Develop a business plan for the philanthropic effort with projections for different time periods of action
- Design a survey to be able to do a statistical analysis of what provokes people of different age groups to engage in philanthropy

LANGUAGES

- Find out how "philanthropy" is translated into other languages or what word is used
- Read newspaper headlines from a country where the language you are studying is spoken to find examples of philanthropy
- Identify philanthropists from different cultures and learn their story

TECHNOLOGY

- Examine how social media and internet has been used to further philanthropic efforts
- Design a marketing plan for the philanthropy campaign that incorporates technology
- Find an example of philanthropy that built upon design or engineering to solve a community problem

SCIENCE

- The "science of happiness" claims that doing for others increases a person's happiness; find evidence to support or refute this claim
- Compare two scientific innovations that have proven to be philanthropic, one from at least 50 years ago and one that is recent
- Write a poem to show the connection between science and philanthropy

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

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- Come up with ideas of how diverse ways of philanthropy could address the need for public health including the need to promote exercise
- Determine the cost-benefit analysis of a fund-raising walk-a-thon.
- Learn about history of the Special Olympics; in what ways does this engage communities in philanthropy?

ARTS

- Music: Find out how collaborative efforts such as the production of the song "We are the World" changed ideas about music as a societal force
- Visual Arts: Look for evidence of how photography has been used to document both community assets and needs
- Theater: Use performance to compel others to participate in your campaign, such as PSA, skits, flash mob, newscast

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