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Elder Project Outline and Proposal

Parts of the Elder Project

Theme: Passion. Being excited about things is a sign that someone is happy and living life to the fullest. Today though, especially being a teenager, being excited can be something that people are embarrassed about because of society and their peers. My elder project presentation, if approved, will revolve around allowing ourselves to be excited and show other people that we care about the things that are happening in their lives. This has been something leadership has allowed me to learn and I want my elder project to encourage people to be happy and enjoy their lives, even when they might feel embarrassed or ashamed. This is not only just about being authentic, but being okay with being uncomfortable if it means you are being passionate about something. With passion and excitement comes change and inspiration which is why the world continues to evolve and grow. Additionally, I want to focus on the fact that passionate people invoke passion in others and make changes that can help others too. Political, social, or environmental change doesn't come from simply liking the idea of something, it comes from being passionate and applying that passion to help other people. We shouldn't stifle our excitement because that is how the world changes for the better.

Additionally, we don't have to be super different to be excited about something! Even if the thing people are excited about is "basic" or "cliche", it's that way for a reason, and it means it brings us joy, which should be celebrated, not frowned upon. For example, I love Taylor Swift and it's okay to be excited about that! If we let ourselves be excited about something, we can discover more opportunities, have more fun, and meet new people who share the same passion and allow us to grow too.

Presentation Link: Still in progress: [LINK](#)

Video/Comments:  [How To Find Your Passion - 11 Abilities \(Which one is for you?\)](#)

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Community Service Idea/Write Up: For my community service project, I am planning to create a Women's History Month Board Collage. This will be updated weekly throughout the month of March. My intention with this project is to spread awareness about women's history month and shine light on powerful women figures, while uplifting the school community. Throughout the month of March, I will be updating the board with new information for Women's

History Month and slips of paper that have compliments to the student body. People are free to take the one they feel they need OR give one to someone who they want to uplift and I will be restocking them so students and staff have constant reminders of positivity. Sometimes, just a reminder of positivity is enough to turn your whole day around. In addition to the bulletin board highlighting this month and having a “take one or give one to someone” compliment system, I will add short announcements to the announcements that spread information and bring attention to the board so more students become aware of it.

Purpose of project: The purpose of this project is to not only celebrate Women’s History Month, but to also highlight the individuality and confidence of each student. This is meant to uplift students while reminding them of the importance of kindness and supporting each other.

Dates: March 1-March 31

How-to:

1. Print out photos and information about 4 different women figures in today’s society and history (1 per week)
2. Every Monday morning OR Sunday Evening, I will come early and update the board
3. Create the compliment slips, assuming about 100/week (could change as I see how many people are taking one/giving them away)
4. Refill all slips when I update the board as well
5. Write announcements to be added to the daily announcements for the month of March
6. If there are any slips of paper on the ground from students, pick them up and throw them away appropriately

Supplies:

1. Photos of female leaders, figures, influential women, etc!
2. 400+ Compliments for students and staff to take
3. Push Pins/Tape/way to stick it up on the bulletin board
4. $\frac{1}{4} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$ of the bulletin board, with approval from Morty/the admin