

Healthcare Heroes

OBJECTIVES/RATIONALE

In health care, personal traits like character, values, morals, ethics, integrity, and trustworthiness are vital. The student will identify character traits through investigating a health care professional.

TEKS 121.2 (c) 3A, 4A, 5C, 5D

TAKS ELA 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
Social Studies 1, 2, 3, 4

KEY POINTS

- I. Literature contains many stories of people who have been healthcare providers throughout history.
 - A. Learning about the lives and experiences of these people can be informational and inspirational
 - B. Having a hero or heroine provides role models
- II. Character traits of historical figures
 - A. Professionalism – individual traits that contribute to the workplace
 - 1. Be to work on time
 - 2. Perform the responsibilities of job with competence
 - 3. Keep promises and meet obligations
 - B. Personal values - things that have a high degree of worth to the individual
 - C. Reputation – estimation in which a person is held by the community
 - D. Morals – capability of differentiation between right and wrong
 - E. Integrity – the quality or state of being of sound moral principal
 - F. Trustworthiness – dependable, reliable
 - G. Respect – to show consideration for
 - H. Honesty – being free from deceit; sincere, fair

ACTIVITIES

- I. Read a book about a health care worker and report on how their personal traits affected their professional life. **Book Report Criteria**

Teacher Note:

Some suggested books are biographies of Florence Nightingale, DeBakey, Saulk, etc.

MATERIALS NEEDED

Library

ASSESSMENT

Writing Rubric

ACCOMMODATIONS

For reinforcement, the student will outline the professional traits of a health care worker in a movie, book, or television program.

For enrichment, the student will research newspaper/journal articles documenting how the life of the subject of the book may have had an effect on those in practice today. Report findings.

REFLECTIONS

Book Report Guidelines

The book report must be a minimum of two pages in length (handwritten). Typed papers must be double spaced, using a 12 or 14 font. There should be an introductory paragraph, two to three paragraphs summarizing the book, and a concluding paragraph. The introductory paragraph must include the title of the book (underlined) and the author(s)'s name(s). The concluding paragraph must contain one to two sentences summarizing how their personal traits affected their professional life. The paragraph construction needs to include introductory sentences, supporting sentences, and a concluding sentence or a transition sentence.