

Week 1 & 2

Civil Rights Program Project

Students will read instructions for a civil rights program project as follows: Students will research major civil rights era issues during the civil rights movement and formulate an action plan to address the issues and bring about a positive resolution. Students will create a civil rights program or organization and write what problems it addresses and how it will help make society a better place. Students will give examples of currently existing problems in African-American society (i.e. racism, discrimination, jobs, housing, education, health, debt, gang violence, etc.) and base their project on addressing the issue they choose.

The project will consist of two parts:

1. Students will create a poster containing an emblem which represents what civil rights issue their program addresses. The poster must be colorful, eye-catching and contain a slogan that corresponds to the emblem.
2. Students will write at least a two-page document detailing what major problems existed in the African-American community during the civil rights movement that they feel most strongly about and how their program or organization will address this issue. Students must also include in their document a tie-in to today's society that corresponds to the problems in society during the civil rights movement.

Be creative! Here's your chance to make an impact on the world you live in!

Examples of civil rights era programs and groups:

