How are communities around the world affected by the way their leaders are chosen?

Assessment

Rubric

Students self reflected on the indicators and outcomes of engaged citizenship including their motivation to take action and their interest in helping others.

Student Work

Students created a poster on a shopping bag from a local supermarket to promote and encourage voting in their community.

Shopping Bag

Posters

Calendar

Throughout this PBL unit, students spent time exploring the differences between autocracies and democracies and how the process of selecting leaders, solving problems, and making decisions differs depending on the system of government in place. They also learned how the role of the citizen varies in the different political systems.

Third graders began the study by creating a matrix where they identify who heads each form of government, how the leaders come to power, who gives the leader power, and examples of countries under each form of government.

Next, students looked at the rights of citizens across different world communities and what can happen when leaders make decisions that people do not like.

Finally, students researched the role of voting in the United States. Students then synthesized all of this information and created a poster on Acme shopping bags to promote and encourage voting in their community.
**Leadership & Government**

**Week 1**
- Kickoff Event
- Come up with "need to know" questions
- Review Collaboration rubric
- Generate Group Constitution/Expectations
- Create and introduce research stations based on need to know questions

**Week 2**
- Research groups begin to research each topic to understand content knowledge
- Research groups also role play government roles to learn differences between monarchies, dictatorships and democracies

**Week 3**
- Continue with research

**Week 4**
- Meet with Christina Reidel, High School Social Studies Teacher
- Create slogans and visuals to encourage voting in the community
- Teachers deliver finished products to Acme

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