

Character Counts Essay 201

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Thump. Thump. Score!!! This is the sound of kids playing basketball in Flossmoor. Flossmoor is the village where my school, Parker Jr. High School is. Flossmoor is a great place to raise a family with little crime and a swell school system. However, Flossmoor could be a better place for kids if we had community gardens, more arts and craft classes, and having our school studies interact with resources outside of the classroom.

Certainly, we should have community gardens because we would be showing citizenship. We could plant fruits, vegetables, herbs, and wildflowers with natural pesticides. This is showing citizenship because it shows that we care about the environment. The wild flowers will feed the hungry bees. The natural and organic pesticides such as garlic and neem oil will not harm the environment or smaller children if they touch a plant. Also, the plants when ripe will be fresher than if you buy them at a store. In addition, this would get children like me involved in helping the environment by caring for the plants. My friends and I love nurturing plants and watching them grow. I think this is an experience all kids should have and this is the best way to have it.

In this situation, we should also have more art & craft classes. In school we only have a few weeks of art and gifted art is only for 8th graders and has only so much room and time for them to do projects. If we had more classes as such it would show fairness to students who like to do art. Having more would let us have more of a chance to work more with our classmates. Also at school a lot of girls love to make jewelry but the class only lets 5 people sign up each semester, which is not fair at all. On the other hand, there is no art class like the jewelry class for guys at all. Therefore we should have more art and craft class.

Nevertheless, we should also have our studies interact with more than books. This is because our teachers want us to use responsibility in our classes. However, even though I enjoy most of my classes it would be more enjoyable if we had classes that would interact with fieldtrips and the Internet. This is because even though our teachers want us to be responsible some of us (not to point fingers) fall asleep in class and are disrespectful to teachers. If we had class with more than the book as a resource such as computers or more educational fieldtrips it would be great. My cousin's school uses computers and books in his classes. This would be a great addition to our school system as well.

Therefore, Flossmoor should have community gardens, more arts & crafts classes, and our school studies interacting with more than books. Hopeful my ideas become reality. Truly I think it will, as “nothing is impossible”.

