

Teach2Serve: Giving Class Themes and Group Projects

2010-2011 – cohort 1: Keziah Groth-Tuft, Camille LeBlanc, Richard Wu, Jacob Arnold, Grace Chen, Sasha Kerez, Rudy Rong, Hannah Fung-Weiner

Theme: water

Group Project: Organized a dance marathon on campus and raised \$2,700 for H2O for Life to build a well and sanitation system with hygiene education for a school in rural Mexico.

2011-2012 – cohort 2: Alex Leone, Riley (Rebecca) Brady, Alliyah Allen, Veronica Fitton

Theme: empowering through education (with a focus on females)

Group Project: Organized a tutoring/mentoring program at a K-8 charter school in Trenton, NJ. Recruited Solebury School tutors/mentors to work one-on-one with an elementary school student to work on reading, literacy and math skills as well as mentor/develop a positive relationship with the student.

2012-2013 – cohort 3: Stasia Babicki, Ilona Wilde, Hadiyyah Graves, Tavorsia Talley, Ethan Clearfield, Michaela Finley

Theme: natural disaster response

Group Project: Raised over \$2,000 for Hurricane Sandy relief and organized monthly service trips to Staten Island and the New Jersey shore to help clean up and rebuild after Hurricane Sandy.

2013-2014 – cohort 4: J.R. Madey, Afrah Boateng, Victoria Markhoff

Theme: food

Group Project: Organized 3 food drives to help restock the shelves of area food pantries and coordinated community service trips for students to volunteer at area food pantries. Made a video to educate people about food insecurity in our community, who is affected by it, who is working to address it, and what students can do to help.

2014-2015 – cohort 5: Neal Hafner, Keren Zhang, Carol Wright, Jenny Liang, Jeff Lin, Carlos Lewis-Miller

Theme: How do you motivate people to care about the environment?

Group Project: Organized a school-wide water awareness fair to educate the community about where bottled water comes from, what happens to plastic water bottles after they are discarded, and how that impacts our health and environment with the end goal of eliminating the use of disposal water bottles and dishes on campus. They also organized water bottle sales and a mug drive. In April 2015, they took their message to the broader community with a booth at ShadFest in Lambertville. They also achieved their goal of making Solebury School a plastic water bottle-free campus.

2015-2016 – cohort 6: Ice Hu, Gabby Colchete, Lakumi Dias, Yuan Lin, Erin Chang, Cancy Han

Theme: environmental sustainability

Group Project: Educating Solebury School and broader community about the importance of building sustainability into planning and development. They began by focusing on green roofs and green walls; in addition to educating the community about the value of green roofs and walls, they plan to install a green wall in the dining hall to improve the quality of the air, soften the sound and advertise our values.

2016-2017 – cohort 7: Ellie Herman, Marshall Overhiser, Louisa Qiu, Perry Udahemuka, Victor Yu, Josh Zolkewitz

Theme: recognizing and managing depression, anxiety and stress

Group Project: Destigmatizing depression and anxiety and educating Solebury School and the broader community about their causes and symptoms and how to get help effectively managing these mental health issues and unhealthy stress.

2017-2018 – cohort 8: David Getter, Ken Guo, Aidan Holtz, Vivian Mou, Koyi Lai, Dominique Wander

Theme: gun safety

Group Project: Held a call-a-thon on campus to elected officials advocating for gun safety. They also organized a 5K fundraiser to raise awareness about gun safety and to raise funds for Everytown for Gun Safety.