



In It to Win It: Integrating Service Learning into a College Composition Course

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Why Service- Learning





The Belle Glade Campus and Community

- Rural community in Western Palm Beach County (19,000 in 2016)
- Seasonal employment and high unemployment rates (actual rate is around 40%; US Sugar and agriculture are two most prominent job sources)
- 36% poverty rate
- Per capita income between 2012-2016: \$13,321
- Ethnically diverse (29% of population foreign born)

Rationale

- Community Service: Engage with and understand the community
- Expose students to resources that they or their families or others they know may need
- Career exploration/opportunities
- Meet course learning outcomes
- Align with College vision: We envision a College of diverse, active learners engaged in intellectual, social and personal growth that enriches and transforms our community.
- Integrate technology

Learning Outcomes

Analyze

Analyze prose to determine its subject, audience, style, tone and purpose.



Compose

Compose nonfictional prose with a degree of formality appropriate to its subject, audience, and purpose.



Compose

Compose essays/prose that demonstrate understanding of the subject and employ rhetorical techniques appropriately.

Class Information

Develop	Communications: Develop effective reading, writing, speaking, listening, and nonverbal communication skills for a variety of audiences
Exhibit	Global awareness: Exhibit a sense of community and be sensitive to cultural and global diversity; exercise civic responsibility; give service to others; and respect and care for our natural environment.
Evaluate	Critical thinking: Evaluate arguments; separate fact and opinion; recognize points of view; understand implications and consequences, and acknowledge diverse values.
Use	Technology and information literacy: Use printed materials, personal communication, observation, and technological applications to find evaluate organize, and present information in order to achieve educational and professional success.
Demonstrate	Ethics: Demonstrate a responsibility for personal, social, professional, educational and natural environments and make informed decisions based on those responsibilities.
Develop	Personal development: Develop an ability to understand and manage self, adapt to change, enhance wellness, learn effectively, establish a framework for aesthetic responsiveness, and set personal and professional goals.

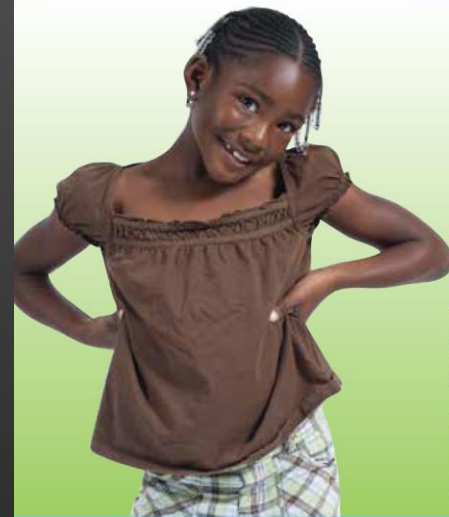
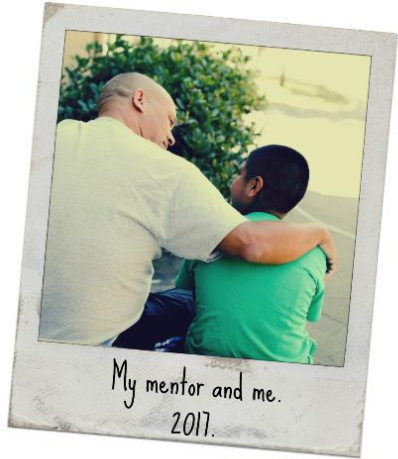
Planning the Project



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CHANGE THE ODDS. BE A MENTOR.



This community profile is intended to provide insight on the conditions – both strengths and challenges – of a particular neighborhood through a variety of data gathered between 2010-2012*. Bridges seeks to engage the collective resources of this community and take action to improve conditions for children and families.

The Belle Glade neighborhood that Bridges targets has approximately 1,300 households and a population of 3,984 residents. In 2010, approximately 16% of the population was 0 to 8 years old (633 children).

Census Tract = 82.01 Population: 3,984 Population 0-8 years: 633

Ella's Closet.org

THERE IS NO FOOT TOO SMALL THAT IT CANNOT LEAVE AN IMPRINT ON THIS WORLD.

ABOUT US



Little Ella's Closet was full with adorable clothes from before she was even born. She was blessed with everything a baby would ever need. From the moment she was born, lives were forever changed. Her mommy and daddy were in love like never before! Then tragically, not long after precious Ella was born, she was suddenly taken from this world at just a few months old. Many hearts throughout the Western Communities were heavy with grief. As the community came together to provide an outpouring of support for the Levins family, the founder of Ella's Closet was moved with a vision to allow the legacy of such a precious baby to continue to shine throughout the world.

With a mission to provide the families of young children with life-saving skills such as CPR, educational workshops, mentoring, and basic provisions for their infants and children, Ella's Closet opened its doors in 2015 as a ministry of the Light House Cafe located in Belle Glade, FL. Full of clothing,

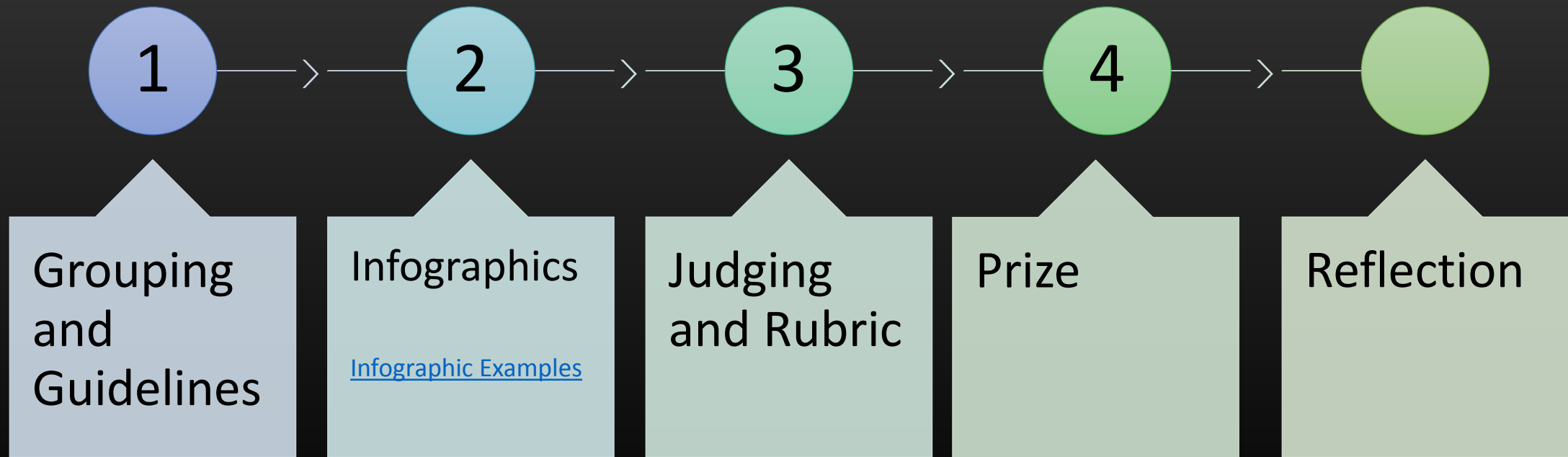
baby gear, toiletries, formula, diapers, and much more, the walls of Ella's Closet are stocked full of everything you could think of for infants and children through five years of age!

LIGHT HOUSE CAFE
MINISTRIES OF THE GLADES



The Project

Shark Tank Pitch



Success Stories

Barriers

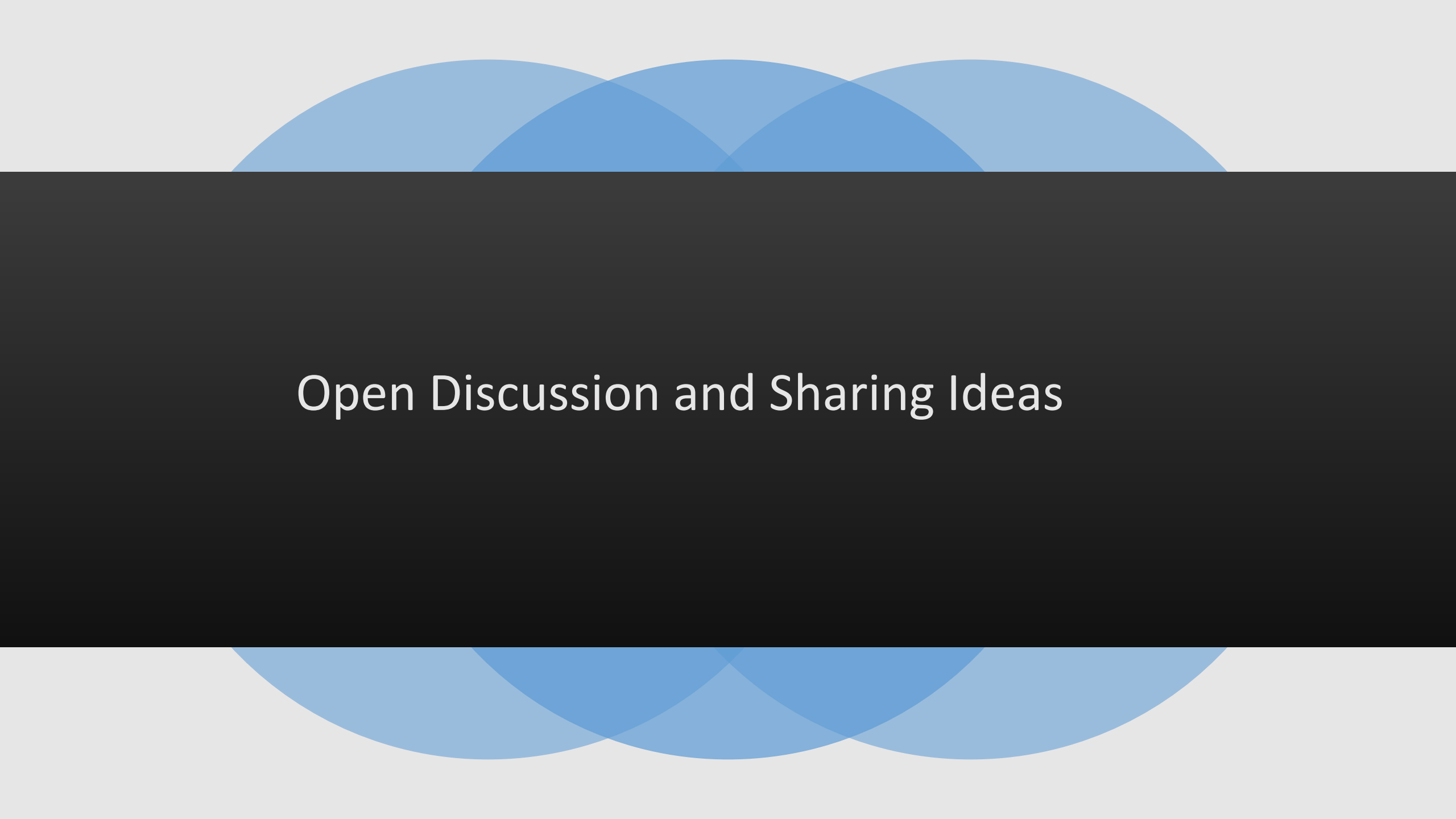
Students and Time Management

Lost Class Time

Requiring Service Learning Project
without Designation on Course
Description

Recommendations for Implementation

- Plan ahead
- Tell students on the first day of class
- Ask students for their input
- Set benchmarks dates for students
- Guarantee volunteers for the organizations you invite into the classroom
- Provide email templates



Open Discussion and Sharing Ideas

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Links for demographic resources

https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/bellegladecityflorida/PS_T045216

<https://datausa.io/profile/geo/belle-glade-fl/#demographics>