Donation Education for the Classroom

Your Lesson Plan Guide

From video content to games, quizzes and more – this easy-to-use toolkit of resources provides engaging activities for your students in any educational setting. Whether you prefer a digital platform, a single video lesson or printable activities, we’ve got you covered with a quick menu of options to easily pick and choose from.

This lesson plan overview covers our full curriculum offering including the estimated amount of time each activity will take to complete. Plan your session and customize your classroom experience to best meet the needs of your students!

**Interactive Activities**

**Discussion Guide**

*TIME – 15 MINUTES*

This discussion guide will spark conversation to help students learn, engage and understand misconceptions they may have about the donation process. Treating them and speaking to them like adults supports them in taking pride and ownership in their decision to register. This activity can be done together as a class or students can be divided into groups of 2 or more to self-guide and ensure learning and participation.

**The Destination Registration Game**

*TIME – 20 MINUTES*

This exciting and engaging game encourages students to work together and solve challenges while educating themselves on facts about organ, eye and tissue donation throughout the process. Students can play the game online or with the provided printouts.

**Pop Quiz**

*TIME – 5-10 MINUTES*

This quick, easy and fun activity tests students’ knowledge while teaching them more about organ, eye and tissue donation. The quiz can be taken online or via printout worksheet. You can also have students complete the quiz during a class session or ask them to test their knowledge as homework prior to a class discussion.

**Educational Material**

**Fact Sheets**

*TIME – 15 MINUTES*

Our series of fact sheets offers a quick way of learning and addresses the topics we know students are most curious about:

- Facts & Myths
- Common Questions
- Organ Donation
- Eye Donation
- Tissue Donation

You have the option of presenting these as printouts or a PowerPoint slideshow.
Videos

Donation Overview Explainer & Worksheet
TIME – 2 MINUTES

Students often wonder how the organ donation process actually works. This video provides a quick introduction to the basics. You also have the option to provide students with a worksheet for them to complete as they follow along with the video.

Myths & Misconceptions
TIME – 2.5 MINUTES

This informational animated video helps to set the record straight regarding the many common misconceptions about organ, eye and tissue donation. After watching, ask your students to discuss the following:

• Name two misconceptions that you had prior to watching this video.

Eye Donation Explainer
TIME – 1 MINUTE

This informational animated video provides students with a quick introduction to the basics and importance of eye donation. After watching, ask your students to discuss the following:

• What surprised you most about eye donation?

Tissue Donation Explainer
TIME – 1 MINUTE

This informational animated video provides students with a quick introduction to the basics and importance of tissue donation. After watching, ask your students to discuss the following:

• Name two athletes or people you know who have undergone ACL surgery – benefitting from tissue donation.

• What surprised you most about tissue donation?

Anthony’s Story
TIME – 4 MINUTES

This inspiring story offers an insightful and relatable perspective on the impact of donation from a peer. 16-year-old Anthony made the decision to register as a donor on his state ID card. His gifts of tissue and eyes following his death helped 54 people of all ages in 14 states. After watching, ask your students the following questions:

• What inspired you the most?

• How did this story change your view on donation?

Anna’s Story
TIME – 2.5 MINUTES

This insightful story from a fellow student and transplant ambassador offers an engaging perspective from someone who has received a life-saving organ and competes as an athlete in the Transplant Games. After watching, ask your students the following questions:

• What surprised you the most about Anna’s story?
Kailee’s Story
TIME – 2.5 MINUTES

This powerful story highlights the impact of receiving a cornea transplant as a child and growing up to become an ophthalmologist and musician. After watching, ask your students to discuss the following:

• Share what you learned about eye donation.

Let’s Talk Donation
TIME – 4 MINUTES

This fun, funny and engaging compilation features reactions from student peers answering frequently asked questions, learning top stats and facts, and busting myths like:

• What do you know about organ, eye and tissue donation?
• Do you know how many lives one person can save and heal by checking the box?
• Do you know how many people can become a donor after they register?
• Guess how many people in the U.S. are waiting for a transplant today?
• What do you think stops people from registering as a donor?
• Why do you feel donation is a good thing to do?
• Does race, gender, culture or ethnicity matter?
• Who can become a donor?

Comprehensive Compilation
TIME – 18 MINUTES

This comprehensive video includes a compilation of all our video content conveniently collected in one place so you can watch it all without taking breaks for other activities.

Have Questions Or Need Assistance?
If you have any questions or need materials or assistance while planning your curriculum, please feel free to contact us. We can help provide you with printouts, DVDs for videos or any other materials you may need - free of charge.

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