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2025 Community Classroom SIP Letter

The Community Classroom Committee promotes classroom volunteering, support for teachers and students, creative historical lesson plans and the sharing of success stories. Please find ways that your chapter can help classrooms in your area.

- Adopt a classroom or school and donate materials to help the students achieve academic success. This is the time to purchase items that are on sale. Some of the items they would need are: pencils, scissors, glue sticks, spiral notebooks, erasers, crayons, makers, colored pencils, and even backpacks. Take the items to your chapter meeting and the chapter can donate them to a local school.
 - Hint: give the schools/classroom ½ of the items now and donate the other ½ in December when the students are running out of supplies.
- Encourage Daughters to volunteer in classrooms. Members can read to the students, copy papers, get trained to help with small groups, and even work on art projects around the holidays. Contact the schools in your area to find out how you can volunteer.
- Celebrate teachers with National Teacher Appreciation Week events in May. Teachers and staff do a lot for their students. One idea--have your chapter write thank you notes to the teachers and deliver them to schools.
- On the Community Classroom website there are lesson plans that are free and can be given out to teachers to teach history to their students. Please check that out.
- NSDAR's American Revolution Legacy Grants provides up to \$5,000 to pre-K through 4-year undergraduate degree teachers and administrators. Work with your teachers and schools to see if they can apply--go the Community Classroom on the NSDAR Website and click on Legacy Grants.
- The DOC (Daughters On-Line Community) is a great resource to see what other chapters are doing to help their classrooms. Click on Community Classroom Community.

Don't forget to document all that you do! Send a digital photo (permission required if students are included) along with a summary of your activities that is 130 words or less. You can send this as soon as you get it finished or with the Master Report in January.