



2008-2009

New York District Kiwanis

Governor's Project

Brighten a Child's Smile

Fostering Self-Esteem in Children

Governor Doreen is encouraging clubs to help children look on the bright side by fostering their self-esteem. Research shows that children with high self-esteem perform better academically, socially, physically and emotionally.

Clubs may qualify for a 2008-2009 NYD Governor's Project Banner patch by fostering self-esteem in children through the expansion of a current project or the implementation of a new project.

Some project ideas include:

- starting or expanding a Kiwanis Terrific Kids or BUG program
- implementing a **Shining Stars** awards program (see flyer)
- present "I Made a Difference" Starfish awards to young people making a difference. (*Available through <http://www.condorcreations.com/stock/motivational.html>*)
- implement a program to acknowledge the community service of young people through the Presidential Volunteer Service Awards (*For more info logon to: <http://www.presidentialserviceawards.gov/>*)
- start a **Positive Ticket** campaign (see flyer)
- create a **Send a Hug** program (see flyer)

To qualify for a banner patch, please check one (1) and answer the questions below.

The Kiwanis Club of _____ has instituted a new service project designed to foster self-esteem in children.

The Kiwanis Club of _____ has expanded an existing service project designed to foster self-esteem in children

Please describe your new project OR how your club has expanded an existing service project designed to foster self-esteem in children. (ie. Terrific Kids or BUG)

Please describe how this project fosters self-esteem in children

"Self-esteem is not a substitute for a roof over one's head or food in one's stomach, but it increases the likelihood that one will find a way to meet such needs." ~NATHANIEL BRANDEN

Please send completed form to:

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