

PARENT PRACTICE

Senior High

Description

In the United States 4 out of 10 girls will become pregnant before they are 20. We will look at the problems teen mothers and fathers face when parenthood becomes apart of their daily lives. We will examine the days in the lives of teenage parents with the help of the Baby Think It Over program.

Family and Consumer Sciences Classes

- General Family and Consumer Sciences
- Child Development

Classroom Activities

- Care for the "Baby Think It Over" doll for a period of one week. Keep a daily journal, care for the baby daily, write reflection papers and complete assignments that includes the student parents.
- Invite a doctor to speak with the class about the importance of prenatal care and the risks of teenage pregnancies.
- Take a field trip to an infant intensive care unit.
- Invite a panel of teen parents to talk to the class about what their parenting days are like.

Class Connection of FCCLA Projects

- Families First--have students do assignments that related to Families First modules.
- PEP Squad--Ask Pep Squad member to come and speak about the March of Dimes. Organize a March of Dimes fundraiser.
- STAR Event--Illustrated Talk; Chapter Service; Interpersonal Communication and See What We've Done.

Resources

- "Baby Think It Over" dolls and program
- Families First Program manual (1996) FCCLA
- March of Dimes Materials and Movies

Connection to Minnesota Graduation Standards

- Inquiry--Teen Issues, by MN FCCLA