



DO THE RIGHT THING

DON'T WAIT TO BE GREAT





# INTRODUCTION

Volunteering helps us understand our community and how to help others.

Giving back shows us we are apart of something bigger.

Today, we will learn the importance and benefits of volunteering, and supporting our own communities, neighborhoods and schools.





# ICEBREAKER

**ANYONE CAN BE GREAT**





## ANYONE CAN BE GREAT

Anyone can be great because anyone can serve."

- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

### REFLECT, WRITE, RESPOND!

- What does this quote mean to you?
- Write on your post-it or sheet of paper.
- Share with a partner when done.





# LESSON PART ONE

# DON'T WAIT TO BE GREAT



# LESSON: PART ONE



## DON'T WAIT TO BE GREAT

Watch the video about Jahkil Jackson.





### DON'T WAIT TO BE GREAT

- How is the quote by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. related to Jahkil's motto, "Don't Wait to be Great"?
- How many "blessing bags" has Jahkil provided through his organization? Who helped him?
- Some of Jahkil's hobbies are playing basketball, dancing and acting. What skill does Jahkil take away from these hobbies to run his organization?
- Why is this skill important?
- What is Jahkil's Purpose for starting the Project I Am organization?





# LESSON PART TWO

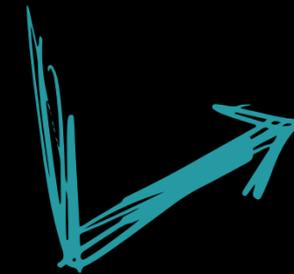
# GIVING BACK MATTERS



# LESSON: PART TWO

## GIVING BACK MATTERS

Visit the link to Project Giving Kids.



*\*Remember to set the location to "Anywhere" to get the largest amount of options.*





### GIVING BACK MATTERS

- What activity or organization interests you?
- What is the purpose of the organization?
- What will you have to do?
- What resources will you need?
- How long will it take you to complete this activity?
- Who will you have to contact?
- Why is doing this work important to you?



# LESSON: PART TWO

## GIVING BACK MATTERS

As you begin your own volunteer work like Jahkil, remember:

- ✓ Talk with a trusted parent or adult before starting your project
- ✓ Things take time, be patient and work from your heart
- ✓ Volunteer work can take many forms, figure out what works for you
- ✓ You are always apart of a community





# DEBRIEF / EXTENSION



## JOURNAL

Journal about the following questions:

- What did you learn from this activity?
- On a scale of 1-10, with 10 being very likely, how likely are you to complete a service activity during the school year. Explain.

