

LESSON PLAN THREE

“FROM PI BETA PHI TO ARROWMONT: BRINGING EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO THE GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS, 1910-2004

GRADE LEVEL: Second Grade

TOPIC: Back to the Future!

(Using a timeline to interpret the history of our school and Gatlinburg)

Why is our school called Pi Beta Phi Elementary School? In 1910 the Pi Beta Phi Fraternity started to build a settlement school in Gatlinburg. They believed they could improve the living standards, health care, economic growth, and education of the people of Gatlinburg. They worked hard to help the mountaineers. The women of the Pi Beta Phi Fraternity wanted the school to carry their name. We have inherited their legacy of excellence. That is why Pi Beta Phi Elementary School is a special place.

There were many citizens of Gatlinburg that influenced the development of the town, the community, and the tourism industry. Knowing the history of this area and the people who developed it helps us understand the present day culture, conditions, and traditions.

1a. Location/logistics: This lesson would take place in the classroom.

1. OBJECTIVES:

- i. Explain how local people and events have influenced local community history
- ii. Use vocabulary related to chronology, including past, present, and future
- iii. Create and interpret timelines

2a. Resources:

- iv. Photos, essays, and timeline from Arrowmont website

2. PRE-TEST (see attached pre-test)

- i. Vocabulary Words
 1. event
 2. heritage
 3. history – past, present, and future
 4. interpret
 5. legacy
 6. local
 7. settlement school
 8. timeline

3. INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES (student activities): I would suggest using 2 or 3 periods of thirty minutes during Social Studies.

During the first period, teachers will show students pictures and timeline of Pi Beta Phi Settlement School and how it connected to Gatlinburg's history. Review some of the information that was taught in the first grade lessons about Gatlinburg's history and use the timeline to emphasize the names of the people who influenced the development of Gatlinburg. For example: In 1867, C.C. Reagan donated the use of a log house that he owned for the first free school that was supported by the state. It was located where the city's water department now stands.

During the second period, finish going over the timeline. Then show the students how to create a timeline of their own. (See attached instructions) Give careful and specific instructions. Students will begin to work on their timeline this period.

During the third period, students will complete timeline and share with class. This timeline will be used as an assessment for this lesson.

4. EVALUATION/ASSESSMENT:

5a. Evaluation of student activities: Students can read and/or write stories using the history of Gatlinburg and Pi Phi. Teacher observation of students participation in discussion, asking appropriate questions, answering questions appropriately and staying on task.

5b. Posttest – Students will create a timeline showing four important events that occurred in Pi Beta Phi's or Gatlinburg's history. They can also complete post test.

6. ENRICHMENT, RETEACHING¹

- Students may create a timeline that has more or fewer than four events.
- Students can create a timeline of their family history.
- Teacher can review the timeline at another time.
- Students can read poems or songs written by the sisters of Pi Beta Phi.
- In Art, the students can create a picture or painting of one of the old buildings or people who influenced our community.
- Students can compare/contrast the names of families in the past and the names of families in the present.

Back to the Future!

Second grade pre/post test

1. What important event happened in Gatlinburg in 1912?
 - a. You were born.
 - b. Pi Beta Phi Settlement School opened.
 - c. A new addition was added to Pi Phi.

2. What does heritage mean?
 - a. Long hair
 - b. Something we inherit from others
 - c. Knowledge of the past

3. Who was Gatlinburg named after?
 - a. Noah Ogle
 - b. John J. Reagan
 - c. Radford Gatlin

4. The Arrowcraft Shop sold _____ .
 - a. Food
 - b. Ice cream
 - c. Crafts

5. In 1922, a hospital opened in Gatlinburg. What was its name?
 - a. Sevier County Hospital
 - b. Jennie Nicol Memorial Hospital
 - c. Children's Hospital