

# *West Side School*

School Improvement Team

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Minutes

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## SIT Members

**Staff:** Kurt Simon, Mary Baratta, Linda Gerver, Leah Martin, Maria Rodriguez, and Joe Toscano

**Parents:** Nicole Boutis, Helen Daly, Dana Lostritto, and Mariel Naccarato

**Goal:** To establish talking points for sixth graders as they enter their Project period. Questions will also be established by the Team for all students to reflect on their service.

**Requirements:** Opening lunch with Mr. Simon

1. What do you hope to get out of this project?
2. Why do you think you are being asked to do this?
3. What will keep you motivated?
4. Describe an act of kindness performed for you?
5. What does leadership look like?

**Reflection:**

1. What did you choose for your HERO Project and why?
2. How did your school benefit from your leadership/volunteerism?
3. What impact do you think you had on your school? On the students? Teachers/Staff?
4. How did it make you feel to perform a kind act for other people in the school?
5. What did you learn from this experience?
6. What else can you do continue being a HERO in the future?
7. What advice would you give the next group?
8. How can younger kids make our school a better place?
9. Describe your favorite moment of working on the HERO project? What did you like the best?
10. Describe a heroic act that has impacted your life?

**Notes for Further Discussion:**

- Have one picture taken of you. Could be while reading with your mentor, etc.
- Being a HERO
- Sharing with a family member
- Teacher/student/school acknowledgement – form of letter from class
- Reflection
- Certificate and Letter from SIT
- Check in with mentor – check list
  - o Log – students records what he or she
  - o Colored Cards – Index card turned in
    - Personalized – laminate at end
    - Give out at lunch
- Morning Assembly – record on iPTV
- Cards – choose a question
- Survey