

Team~Building Activity

Building a culture of good character requires building the class into a community. Here is this month's teambuilding activity:



Ace High



Divide the class into groups no larger than 13 students in each group. Give each group member a playing card. All of the cards for one group should be the same suit. Instruct the students to arrange themselves to stand in a line in order of the rank of the cards with the Ace being the highest card. For younger groups, you may only want to use the number cards. Time each group. Ask them how they approached the problem of ordering the cards. Give them time in their group to review how they did. Now give them time to discuss how they might do it faster next time and then give them a chance to shuffle the cards and try again. See if they did it faster the second time. To make this exercise more difficult, instruct the students that they are not allowed to look at their own card, rather, they must hold it face side out against their forehead without looking at it. To incorporate a math lesson give each student 2 number cards to hold on their forehead that must be added together to determine ranking.