## Too Much Pleuirbus...Not Enough Unum

- As a final project, you have been appointed as an AMBASSADOR OF UNITY.
- You will do some research. You will find out whether or not you hold prejudice in your heart. You will develop a program designed to spread the joy of diversity.

AMERICA IS STRONGER BECAUSE OF ITS DIVERSITY. CELEBRATE DIVERSITY.



# The Assignment

### **STEP ONE (20 PTS):**

- Go to "Project Implicit" "Social Attitudes" at <u>https://implicit.harvard.edu/implicit/demo/takeatest.html</u>
- This is a live testing site conducted by Harvard University and designed to explore hidden biases. Read the "Preliminary Information" carefully. Any information collected on this test site is recorded anonymously for research purposes only. When you have read the preliminary information and the disclaimer, please click on the link at the bottom which says "Yes, I agree to participate". Then type in, "I will complete this study with my full attention." It will take about 15 minutes to complete the survey. This will take you to a series of questions that will assess your attitudes. After you have answered a series of questions, you will receive an analysis of your test responses. Then there will be a series of questions about your reaction to the test results.
- <u>To complete Step 1 of this project, write a brief summary (about 200 words) of the results of your responses to the questions.</u> Were you surprised at the results of your test? Why or why not? Now, think about how you need to change your attitude to become a true Ambassador of Unity. <u>Note: I do not need a copy of your test results, just your personal response to the results.</u>

# The Assignment (2)

#### STEP TWO (20 PTS):

- Do some research. You may use one or more of the sites below to learn what others are doing to create and promote unity and celebrate diversity. There are many more sites that you may wish to access. Perhaps you will find a program you feel will produce positive results in celebrating America's diversity.
  - o <u>http://www.tolerance.org/index.jsp</u>
  - o <u>http://www.splcenter.org/center/tt/teach.jsp</u>
  - o <u>http://www.kidshealth.org/parent/emotions/feelings/tolerance.html</u>
  - o <u>http://www.tolerance.org/101\_tools/index.html</u>
  - o <u>www.upliftconnect.com</u>
  - <u>http://portal.unesco.org/shs/en/ev.php</u> <u>URL\_ID=6551&URL\_DO=DO\_TOPIC&URL\_SECTION=201.html</u>
  - <u>http://www.nasponline.org/resources/crisis\_safety/tolerance\_general.aspx</u>
  - o <a href="http://www.beyondintractability.org/essay/tolerance/">http://www.beyondintractability.org/essay/tolerance/</a>
  - o <a href="http://www.meta-religion.com/">http://www.meta-religion.com/</a>
- <u>To complete Step 2, write down at least three (3) additional websites that speak to</u> <u>the issue of promoting unity in America. Be sure to provide a sentence or two</u> <u>describing what is on each website submitted.</u>

# The Assignment (3)

## **STEP THREE (60 Pts):**

- As the newly appointed American Ambassador of Unity, you must develop a program that celebrates diversity in America and spreads the word about importance of Unity and Understanding. In the words of Abraham Lincoln, "a house divided against itself cannot stand."
- To complete Step 3, you will develop a program designed to address this issue, including implementation and continued expansion of the program—in other words, how will those reached by your program "pay it forward"? This is the key element: How will the program pay it forward? <u>Write out a</u> <u>thorough description of your program as your response to</u> <u>Step 3.</u>

# Examples

- In the Online Week 13 folder, you will find a number of PowerPoint examples of projects done by previous students. I'm not asking you for a Ppt—only a written explanation of your program. If you find it easier to create a Ppt as response to Step 3, that is acceptable.
- These examples were chosen to give you an idea of the wide range of topics chosen. There are many more. As you look at the links I've provided in Step Two and do some exploration on your own, you'll find many really fine ideas.
- To clarify: you may team up with one of your classmates to complete this project. You will each complete your own response to Steps One and Two, but you will provide a combined response to Step Three.
- If you have any questions or would like some further examples of how this project has been addressed in the past, please contact me via email.

