

Hearst Elementary

As part of the first DCPS Cornerstone, the kindergarten classes participated in several lessons, read-alouds and discussions centered around friendship. The students were then asked to create posters that depicted what friendship meant to them. Here are some of the responses: Friends can be kind; friends care about you; friends are helpful; you can lose a friend by not treating them the way you want to be treated; good friends are like a sunny day; when you lose a friend it's like a thunderstorm or a rainy day; good friends hug; good friends teach each other; good friends listen; and principals, teachers, firefighters, grocery people, our family and police officers can all be friends too. They all agreed that friends help to make us happy and it's great to have friends all day long.

— *Ms. Prince's and Ms. Johnson's kindergarten classes*