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“Hall of Patriots: President Jimmy Carter”

Grades K-2

Objective: The student will learn why President Jimmy Carter and First Lady Rosalynn Carter received the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Materials:

- Website: http://www.medaloffreedom.com/Jimmy_RosalynnCarter.htm
- Website: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Presidential_Medal_of_Freedom
 - Brief background information on the Presidential Medal of Freedom
- Jimmy Carter coloring sheet
 - <http://www.whitehouse.gov/kids/presidentsday/color/39.html>
- crayons/colored pencils

Procedure:

1. Ask students list several types of medals given. List responses on the board. Ask students why medals are given. Lead a class discussion using these two questions.
2. Explain to students that one such medal given is called the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Share with students a brief background on this medal using the second website listed above. Explain that President Jimmy Carter, and his wife, Rosalynn Carter, were recipients of this medal.
3. Share information from the first website listed above with the students.
4. Allow students to color the coloring sheet of Jimmy Carter. Encourage students to add the Medal of Freedom around Carter’s neck. While students are coloring, circulate the room and check for understanding by asking students why President Jimmy Carter and First Lady Rosalynn Carter received the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Assessment:

Evaluate oral responses from students while checking for understanding in procedure number four listed above.

