Famous Kentuckians

Title: "Famous Kentuckians"

Overview/Annotation: The students are given a list of famous Kentuckians from Cynthiana. As a class, discuss the accomplishments as well as a time he or she experienced failure. After researching as a class, students are given a list of other famous Kentuckians from other cities. The students will research to find accomplishments and failures that were overcome in order to achieve his or her accomplishments.

Materials and Resources: Computer with Internet access/Index Cards

List of famous Cynthiana, Kentuckians

List of famous Kentuckians

Printed articles of various Kentuckians

Technology Resources Needed: Digital projector, computers, or laptops with Internet access

*multiple websites that contain famous Kentuckians

Procedures/Activities:

1) Display list of famous Cynthiana, Kentuckians.

2) Display Essential Question: "What do you know about these people? What can you learn from them?"

3) Engage the class in a discussion regarding what is each person's "claim to fame". Research via internet what each person accomplished.

4) Once the list is agreed upon, conduct further research to find any setbacks each Cynthiana may have encountered. This list can also include personal knowledge of the people.

5) In whole group setting, lead students to classify the nature of the setback. (see "Growth Mindset" Challenges, obstacles, effort, criticism, success of others)

6) Students choose a Kentuckian from given list. In small groups, according to subject choice, students will research to find accomplishments, setbacks, and categorize these according to the "Growth Mindset".

7) Small groups will present information to the other groups. Evaluate the information and discuss any personal similarities.

Assessment Strategies:	Students will write about a personal experience where he or she found success after overcoming a setback. He or she will discuss what caused the setback, based on "Growth Mindset" .