President Obama has called upon all Americans to become involved in community service. Mayor Bloomberg has launched an initiative to promote volunteering and service. Chancellor Klein has promoted service and civic-engagement programs in schools. To facilitate a rewarding service experience for students that will offer life skills and meaning, we have extended our character-education program to include the service-learning component.

ABOUT OUR PROGRAM
Since 2005, Mars 2112 Educational Outreach and Etiquetteoutreach.com have partnered to offer character education and etiquette training to public schools. More than 3,000 New York City public school students have participated in this training, which helps students develop character, leadership skills, confidence, basic etiquette skills, and the civic-mindedness essential for success in life.

Dining Sessions in Progress at Mars 2112
Our program focuses on different stages of service learning -- from serving to encouraging, empowering, and experiencing. Students are guided in incremental steps to understand their role in the community and to connect their skills to a real-life experience:

- Reciprocity—service projects that are worthwhile and valuable for both the student and the community
- Personal development—service learning occurs in different stages
- Reflection—volunteer activities that link experience to learning, and encourage personal connection to the student's life.

Our two-hour training is offered from Monday through Friday at Mars 2112. A three-course lunch is served during each presentation. In addition, a 30-minute game card for our