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Kids Helping Kids

Students in the Life Skills class at **Accompsett Middle School** in Smithtown work hard to support those in need in their community. Their most recent efforts benefitted The Sunrise Fund's "Little Miracles" Fashion Show, a fundraiser starring children who have survived cancer or are in the last stages of treatment at Stony Brook Children's Hospital.

The project took two months of hard work and dedication on the part of the Accomsett students, their class assistants and teachers. The group designed and sewed together over 40 prince and princess costumes for the children to model at the show. The students also drew pictures and wrote short stories for each of the royal characters their costumes were based on. "Using our talents to help people is only one way of describing what we do," said Whitney, a middle school student. Teacher Suzanne Goldstein shared, "It takes a village to care for a village, and everyone has something special to give!" These students continue to give. With a grant from the Smithtown Children's Foundation, they decorated T-shirts, visors, flip flops and other items as gifts for children with cancer.

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