LESSON PLAN SUPPORT MATERIALS

Civil War Draft in Wisconsin
See a lesson plan related to this material on the Wisconsin Historical Society website.

Letters – "Letters of Exemption"
Letters written by doctors and acquaintances to help men obtain exemption.
Dane County, 1862. In Medical Correspondence. Wisconsin Historical Society.

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Thereby certify, that Edward Rollman
is suffering on depression of the breast,
his breast bones are misformed and
he has been for several years under
my treatment. I don't think E. Rollman
fit for military duties.

Madison,
30th August, 1862.

R. Wolff, M.D.

[Signature]

State of Wisconsin
County of Dane

On the first day of September 1862
I, O., M.D., of Madison and witness that
Albert Helseran, is suffering on a
rheumatic disease on his left leg for
two years and a half with time. I give
him medical aid and I find that
in consequence of that illness, said person
health will be suffering from ever.

Witness by hand and seal

[Signature]

R. Wolff, M.D.

[Signature]
Albion, Aug. 31, 1862

Dr. Fawel

Dr. Sir,

In reference to the physical condition of T. J. A. Wood, I think I can safely say that I do not consider him able to endure the hardships of a soldier’s life. He is subject to a periodical sickness which confines him to his bed for several weeks, supposed to be brought on by fatigue or exposure. But has therefore recovered without medical aid.

Most respectfully,

John Burdick