



LEADER LINKS

About the LEADER LINKS...

The Leader Link is a weekly message delivered via email to support character development, good citizenship and social responsibility. The Leader Links address the same character traits that our students focus on throughout the week. Each Leader Link provides a simple definition, an inspiring quotation, a thought provoking question and an action prompt to encourage you, your friends, associates or group to consciously incorporate each quality into daily living.

CITIZENSHIP

Definition:

CITIZENSHIP means being a loyal member of a group, community and/or country. A good citizen follows rules, respects the environment and helps make his or her community a better place. Help develop a common focus and vocabulary by communicating what it means to be a good citizen to those you encounter.

Leader's Message:

In our great nation, one of the most valued assets is a simple noun: citizenship. Yet, when preceded by the adjective, "effective", citizenship can become a powerful force. Effective citizens do simple, yet powerful, things on a daily basis that keep our country strong, vital and free.

Food for thought:

Think about this quote by John F. Kennedy*: *"Ask not what your country can do for you... Ask what you can do for your country."* How does this quote apply to your life today?

Action Prompt:

We all have an obligation as citizens of this earth to leave the world a healthier, cleaner, and better place for future generations. You can be a positive role model for citizenship by doing "good citizen actions." Consider the importance of: voting, doing jury duty, volunteering, displaying the flag, visiting a war memorial, attending a school board meeting, etc. Think of more and act upon them.

** John Fitzgerald "Jack" Kennedy (1917 - 1963) was the 35th President of the United States serving from 1961 until his assassination in 1963.*