

communitylink

Students throughout the District are learning about character building through a weekly series of character-building lessons. Each lesson provides a *Home Link* and a *Community Link* to reinforce the daily classroom lesson. The *Home Link* is designed to foster meaningful communication among family members.

The *Community Link* is a proactive tool designed to heighten good character awareness and promote socially responsible behavior in the community. Each week focuses on the character quality presented in our elementary schools and provides ideas for your consideration.

The Community Link

This week, our students are focusing on the importance of **CELEBRATING GOOD CHARACTER**. They are learning about:

- Good character should be encouraged, developed and fostered everywhere a person lives, works, learns and plays.
- When they act, they should do so as though the whole world is watching.
- Practicing good character will develop good habits and develop a good reputation.
- Good character is the foundation of success

Please take the time to consider what this good character quality means to your own group or organization by sharing the following:

CHARACTER

refers to qualities, attitudes, and actions that reflect what a person really believes. Character is who a person is on the inside.

Having GOOD CHARACTER is a reason to CELEBRATE!

Consider using this Community Link with your employees, membership or organization whenever possible.

What You Can Do!

- Encourage the youth of the community to demonstrate good character in their thoughts and actions. Help them realize that developing one's character is a life long process that will determine their future.
- Make a conscious effort to keep good character at the top of your mind. Lead with an example of good character in your family, community or organization.
- Post this quote by an anonymous author: "Watch your words, for they become words. Watch you actions, for they become habits. Watch your habits, for they become your character. Watch your character, for it becomes your destiny.
- Food for thought: Think of the character of your organization. How would you describe it? Do good character qualities come to mind? Which ones? Is it worth celebrating? If so, think of ways to recognize and celebrate good character when observed.
- Celebrate the good character evident in your organization as often as possible.