



Students throughout FBISD 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 quality of **POSITIVE ATTITUDE**. They are learning about:

- The importance of choosing one's attitude.
- The difference between an optimist and a pessimist.
- The power of having a "can do" approach to completing a task or accomplish a goal.

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

### POSITIVE ATTITUDE

means to look for something good in every situation.

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

### What You Can Do!

- Encourage the youth in the community to approach opportunities with positive attitudes. Discuss how attitudes impact how a person feels. Research shows that optimistic people are healthier, happier, and more successful than people who are negative.
- Post this quote by Herm Albright: "A positive attitude may not solve all your problems, but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort."
- Food for thought: Attitudes are contagious. Ask yourself if yours is worth catching? How about others in your organization, is their attitude worth catching? Think about why or why not.
- Think of the climate inside your organization. Compare it to the weather. Would you describe it as sunny or cloudy? Think of ways to keep the climate sunny even if the sky is gray. Help create an atmosphere that breeds POSITIVE thinking in your organization.