

Respect

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RESPECT means recognizing the value of all people, property and the environment.

DAY 1

Good morning and welcome to The Principal's Link. This week, we are focusing on the principle of RESPECT. Respect is a positive feeling you have for people due to their qualities and achievements. Respect is expressed by treating them in a polite and kind way. Simply put—Respect means treating others as you would want to be treated. Respect is a very important quality to focus on in developing a safe, peaceful and bully free environment. When we respect others as well as our school rules, our learning environment is very conducive to success and happiness. So today, I challenge each of you to make a pledge: Treat others as you want to be treated! In doing so, you will earn respect in return. **Make it a magnificent day!**

DAY 2

Good morning and welcome to The Principal's Link. Confucius said, "Respect yourself and others will respect you." People who work at being their personal best are usually well RESPECTED for their efforts. In striving to be their best, they are kind, helpful, willing, knowledgeable, and thankful, among other traits—these characteristics are certainly worthy of respect. Likewise, people who respect themselves make wise decisions, avoid temptation, and stay away from bad influences. By making wise choices and good decisions, you will earn your own self-respect, and others will respect you as well. When everyone treats everyone with respect, including themselves—everyone will be doing their part to make our school safe, peaceful and bully free. Today—make a conscious attempt to treat everyone as you want to be treated! **Make it a terrific day!**

DAY 3

Good morning and welcome to The Principal's Link. Chinese philosopher Lao Tzu has said, "It is far better to be trusted and respected than it is to be liked!" Think about how this applies to our school. Individuals who are responsible for our safety and watch over us deserve our RESPECT. They have your best interest at heart. Throughout our campus there are many people that work very hard for you. People such as your teachers, those who prepare your meals, those who help maintain order and keep our school clean. Just think what a day would be like without them! How much would you learn? Would you get hungry? Would our school be neat? Would it be safe? Take a minute to really think about the respect these people deserve and make it point to let them know! Remember, when we show respect, we are treating other as we want to be treated. This is the best way to keep our school safe, peaceful and bully free. **Make it a wonderful day!**

DAY 4

Good morning and welcome to The Principal's Link. Many qualities lead to respect—of yourself and others. These include trying to be the best you can be, being considerate of other people, and making good decisions. Think about why these qualities can help our school campus be its very best. Think of your behaviors in the classroom and outside the classroom. When you are on the playground or cafeteria, do you try your best to treat others with respect? If you see someone being disrespectful to another, do you speak up? If you see someone bullying another, do you tell a trusted adult? If you don't, you should, because everyone deserves to be treated with respect—in the classroom and outside of the classroom. Be a role model today—Treat others as you want to be treated and remind others to do the same. **Make it a magnificent day!**

DAY 5

Good morning and welcome to The Principal's Link. Our theme this week has centered on the Golden Rule. Using it as a way to measure respect is a good practice. Let's use the ruler as a visual aid to help remind us to practice the Golden Rule. Every time you see a ruler in your classroom or anywhere else in the school, think of the Golden Rule: Treat others as you want to be treated. We can also apply this rule to other things such as nature, animals, the environment, and for personal belongings of others. When we treat these things as if they were our own, we are showing respect for them. Throughout the day, ask yourself this question: When it comes to practicing the Golden Rule, how do I measure up? **Make it a fabulous day!**