



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 quality of **CONSERVATION**. They are learning about:

- The importance of practicing conservation in their everyday lives.
- Ways to conserve resources.
- How to set an example for others to follow.

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

CONSERVATION

means not being wasteful. CONSERVATION means the protection of natural such as soil, water, forests, minerals, from loss and pollution.

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

What You Can Do!

- Encourage those in your organization to practice conservation in their daily lives through practices such as: recycling, water preservation, taking off lights, etc.
- Have your group identify a small area that might benefit from conservation care, then sponsor a neighborhood clean up, or tree planting.
- Consider having an informal office fundraiser for local groups that nurture or preserve the environment.
- Post this quote by John F. Kennedy: "It is our task in our time and in our generation, to hand down undiminished to those who come after us, as was handed down to us by those who went before, the natural wealth and beauty which is ours."
- Food for thought: Does your group or organization contribute to the conservation of our natural resources? Do you have recycling bins or use recycled products whenever possible? Do you encourage your members to carpool to work or meetings in order to save gas and reduce pollution?
- Integrate the practice of CONSERVATION in your organization as often as possible.