



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 **CITIZENSHIP**. They are learning about:

- How good citizens follow rules and try to make their community and country a better place.
- Ways to be a good citizen.
- About the rights and responsibilities citizenship.

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

### CITIZENSHIP

means being a loyal member of a group, community and/or country.

**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 citizenship by participating in a community service project, no matter how small the effort.
- Select a famous individual from our country's past, and think about how his or her contribution or sacrifice has made your life in the United States better today. Share your knowledge with a youth in our community.
- Post This Quote by Nathan Hale, one of our country's earliest patriots: "I regret that I have but one life to give to my country." Hale was executed by the British on September 22, 1776 at the age of 21.
- Food for thought: Is your business or organization a "good citizen?" Do you contribute your time or resources to causes that assist the less fortunate or try to make a positive difference in the lives of others?
- Integrate the principle of CITIZENSHIP in your organization as often as possible.