



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 **SAFETY**. They are learning about:

- The importance of being safety conscious at school, at home and in the community.
- Safe practices such as Internet safety, bully-free environments, avoiding contact with strangers, etc.
- Relevant statistics regarding vehicular safety.

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

SAFETY

means freedom from harm or danger.

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

What You Can Do!

- Encourage the youth of the community to make safety a habit. Help them understand that safety is everyone's responsibility.
- Heighten the awareness of being safety conscious by teaching our youth to be aware of their surroundings, to obey laws and rules, and to avoid doing risky things that would put them or others in danger.
- Post this statement: Think Safety. Everywhere – Every place – Every day.
- Promote the idea of making safety a family affair with others in your group. For more information go to www.homesafetycouncil.org.
- Food for thought: Is your business or organization considered a safe environment? What can you do to ensure that it is?
- Integrate the principle of SAFETY in your organization as often as possible.