



A Character badge is a distinctive mark, token, sign, emblem or a status symbol presented or displayed in recognition of a student or group of students' special accomplishments, achievements, positive behaviors, service and demonstration of traits/virtues.

*Character is the real foundation of all worthwhile success.*

John H. Hammond

*If I keep my good character, I shall be rich enough.*

Platonius

# RESPECT

- Follow the Golden Rule
- Listen to others
- Be considerate of other's feelings and differences
- Be open-minded
- Show respect for rules, laws, and authority
- To treat others with courtesy and consideration

*You will not be respected unless you  
respect yourself.*

Mexican Proverb

# RESPONSIBILITY

- Do what is expected of you
- Consider consequences; learn to say “no”
- Be accountable for the choices you make
- Be careful of the language you use
- Do your best in all situations

*We live by choice, not by chance.*

Hal Urban



# COMPASSION

- Be caring, considerate, and courteous
- Forgive others + Show empathy
- Being concerned for the welfare of one's self and others
- Showing feeling for another person's sorrow or hardship



*If you want others to be happy, practice compassion.*

*If you want to be happy, practice compassion.*

The Dalai Lama

# COURAGE

- Having the determination to do the right thing and to do things right
- Follow your conscience rather than following what others do
- Build a positive reputation
- Being able to face your problems directly



*Courage may be the most important of all virtues,  
because without it one cannot practice any other  
virtue with consistency.*

Maya Angelou

# PERSEVERANCE

- Stick to it and keep trying
- Be patience
- Always do the best you can
- Be persistent in spite of difficulties, opposition, or discouragement
- Think of creative ways to do things
- Have a strong determination to accomplish your goals
- Work hard, overcome obstacles, accomplish something, and make a contribution



*Perseverance is another name for success.*

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# TRUST

- Do what you say you will do
- Be loyal to family and friends
- Be reliable and responsible to others
- Be honest, truthful, respectful



*Friendship is the only cement that will ever  
hold the world together*

Woodrow Wilson

# HONESTY

- Treat others fairly
- Tell the truth
- Don't lie, cheat, or steal
- Don't take advantage of others
- Learn to apologize to someone when you are not honest with him/her



*To be persuasive, we must be believable.*

*To be believable, we must be credible.*

*To be credible, we must be truthful.*

Edward R. Murrow

# GRATITUDE

- Develop an attitude of gratitude
- Be thankful for what others do for you
- Know who and what to be thankful to and for
- Take grateful actions like smiling, helping someone, performing act of kindness
- Develop a language of gratitude rather than of complaint



*The world does not owe you a living, it was her first.*

Anonymous

# SELF-DISCIPLINE

- Be in control of your words, actions, impulses, and desires
- Play by the rules
- Deal peacefully with anger, insults, and disagreements
- Think before you act and act responsibility
- Take pride in caring for yourself



*Anger is only one letter short of danger!  
To handle yourself, use your head.  
To handle others, use your heart!*

Eleanor Roosevelt

# CITIZENSHIP

- Be of service to others in your home, at your school, and in your neighborhood
- Stay informed about current events, and support country
- Volunteer and be of service to others
- Understand the rights and responsibilities as members of this country



*Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.*

Margaret Mead