

2006-2007 Character Education Words of the Week

RESPECT		
Showing regard for the worth of someone or something.		
July 31	Self-Respect	Pride and belief in oneself and in achievement of one's potential.
August 7	Self-Control	Control of your actions and emotions.
August 14	Courtesy	Polite behavior.
August 21	Respect for Others	Appreciation for the importance of and efforts of others.
August 28	Punctuality	Promptness.
September 4	Trustworthiness	Worthy of confidence, reliable.
RESPONSIBILITY		
Taking care of self and others; to carry out a duty or task carefully and thoroughly.		
September 11	School Pride	Care and satisfaction in your school's achievement and success.
September 25	Respect for the Environment	The conservation and care of your surroundings.
October 2	Civility	Polite and courteous behavior towards others in words and actions.
October 9	Reliability	Deserving of trust and confidence.
October 16	Honor	A sense of what is right, just, and true.
CITIZENSHIP		
Respectful devotion to one's country and/or school.		
October 23	Sportsmanship	The ability to take winning and losing without gloating or complaining.
October 30	Gratitude	A feeling of thankful appreciation for benefits received.
November 6	Patriotism	Respectful devotion to one's country.
November 13	Respect for the Creator	As referenced in the Declaration of Independence and state law, unalienable human rights reflecting the "intrinsic worth of every individual."*
COMPASSION		
Showing concern or sympathy for others.		
November 27	Generosity/Service	Willingness to give and share unselfishly your time and talents in your community.
December 4	Kindness	Consideration and willingness to help others.
December 11	Cleanliness	Habitually and carefully neat and clean.

*From Georgia State "Values & Character Education Implementation Guide"

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RESILIENCE		
The capacity to successfully manage high levels of change.		
December 18	Self Confidence	Positive attitude about, and trust in one's self; sense of security and self-assurance.
January 8	Flexibility	Quality of showing adaptability and versatility.
January 15	Diligence	Consistent attention to quality work; remaining focused on your goal.
January 22	Initiative	Proactive; thinking and taking action on your own.
January 29	Resourcefulness	Clever, Creative, Imaginative, Inventive.
TOLERANCE		
Respecting the individual differences, views, and beliefs of other people.		
February 5	Acceptance	Recognition of the diversity of others, their opinions, practices, and culture.
February 12	Forgiveness	Benefiting yourself and others by ceasing to feel resentment towards others.
February 26	Cooperation	Working together for a common purpose.
March 5	Fairness	Equal treatment of behavior and viewpoints of others.
COMMITMENT		
The obligation or pledge to carry out some action or to support some policy or person.		
March 12	Cheerfulness	Being in pleasant spirits.
March 19	Motivation	The desire to move towards a goal.
March 26	Determination	The inner strength to pursue a goal or task; will power.
April 9	Perseverance	Working hard without giving up.
INTEGRITY		
Steadfast adherence to a strict code of moral, ethical, or artistic values; to consistently be truthful and fair.		
April 16	Honesty	Truthfulness and sincerity.
April 23	Virtue	Moral excellence; goodness.
April 30	Loyalty	Faithful to a person, an organization, or your country.
ACCOMPLISHMENT		
Appreciation for attaining one's goals.		
May 7	Self-Reliance	Relying on one's own abilities, efforts, or judgments.
May 14	Courage	To meet a challenge without giving in to fear.
May 21	Patience	The power to wait calmly without complaining.
	Creativity	Characterized by originality and productivity.