

Character Education Resources

I. Character Education Resources for Program Planning and School/Community Communications

A. Character Education and School/Community Climate Surveys

CDS (Character Development Scale)

<http://www.impactpublications.com/index.asp?PageAction=VIEWPROD&ProdID=8172>

Center for Social and Emotional Education

<http://www.csee.net/climate/>

B. Program-planning Guidelines and Research

U.S. Dept. of Education Brochure "Character Education--Our Shared Responsibility"

<http://www.ed.gov/admins/lead/character/brochure.pdf>

CETAC (U.S. Dept. of Education Character Education and Civic Engagement Technical Assistance Center)

Most Recent Newsletter:

http://www.cetac.org/newsletter/CETAC_Newsletter_Vol2Is1.pdf

Newsletter Archives

<http://www.cetac.org/pageTemplate.cfm?centerTemplate=newsletterarchive.cfm>

The Core Documents of U.S. Democracy (Government Printing Office)

<http://www.gpoaccess.gov/coredocs.html>

NYSED Learn and Serve America

http://www.highered.nysed.gov/kiap/LEARNANDSERVE/about_servicelearning.htm

SAVE Legislation

<http://www.emsc.nysed.gov/deputy/documents/character-ed.html>

Character Education Partnership

<http://www.character.org/site/c.gwKUJhNYJrF/b.993253/k.CB9C/Home.htm>

The Josephson Institute of Ethics (Character Counts)

<http://www.josephsoninstitute.org/>

The Foundation for a Better Life

<http://www.forbetterlife.org/>

The 12-Point Comprehensive Approach to Character Education (SUNY Cortland)

<http://www.cortland.edu/character/12pts.asp>

Character Education Assessment Instruments

http://www.character.org/site/c.gwKUJhNYJrF/b.993291/k.A810/Assessment_Index.htm

National Youth Leadership Council

<http://www.nylc.org/>

Educators for Social Responsibility

<http://www.esrnational.org/home.htm>

A Guide to Moral Decision-making (Chris MacDonald, PhD)

<http://www.ethicsweb.ca/guide/guide.pdf>

Collaborative for Academic, Social and Emotional Learning

<http://www.casel.org>

The Developmental Studies Center

<http://www.devstu.org>

The Institute of Heart Math

<http://www.heartmath.org/research/research-overview.html>

II. Curriculum Resources for Teachers & Parents

A. Award-winning Professional Development and Community Programs

Operation Respect ("Don't Laugh at Me" Program)

<http://www.operationrespect.org/programs.htm>

Positive Action

<http://www.positiveaction.net/>

Rachel's Challenge

<http://www.rachelschallenge.com/>

Challenge Day

<http://www.challengeday.org/>

Olweus Anti-Bullying program

<http://www.clemson.edu/olweus/>

Habits of Mind

<http://www.habitsofmind.org/resources/OTHER/16HOM2.pdf>

Schools Attuned

<http://www.allkindsofminds.org/sa/index.aspx>

B. Character Education Curricula and Lesson Plans

Character Counts

<http://www.charactercounts.org>

Good Character.com

<http://www.goodcharacter.com/>

Strategies for Empowering Students

<http://www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/ce/strat-index.html>

Apple Learning Exchange

Feelings from A to Z

<http://edcommunity.apple.com/ali/story.php?itemID=176>

Good Manners are Fun!

<http://edcommunity.apple.com/ali/story.php?itemID=10807>

PBS Kids

Diversity Appreciation

<http://pbskids.org/arthur/parentsteachers/activities/diversity.html?cat=diversity>

Social and Emotional Development

<http://pbskids.org/arthur/parentsteachers/activities/development.html?cat=development>

iEARN

<http://www.iearn.org/>

Non-profit Prophets

<http://www.kn.pacbell.com/wired/prophets/index.html>

Do Something.org

<http://www.dosomething.org/>

Kids Care Clubs

<http://www.kidscare.org/index.jsp>

Environmental Kids Club (EPA)

<http://www.epa.gov/kids/>

Make a Difference Day (*US Newsweek*)

<http://www.usaweekend.com/diffday/index.html>

Project Wisdom

<http://www.projectwisdom.com>

Crossroads of Character (ThinkQuest)

<http://library.thinkquest.org/J001675F/>

Role Models on the Web

<http://www.rolemodel.net/>

No Bully

<http://www.nobully.com/teachers.htm>

C. Character-based Reading Lists

Markkula Center for Applied Ethics

<http://www.scu.edu/ethics/practicing/focusareas/education/summerreading.html>

Character Traits Literature

<http://www.desertskyone.com/character/books.html>

D. Video Shorts

Connect with Kids

<http://www.connectwithkids.com>

My Hero.com Film Festival

<http://www.myhero.com/myhero/go/filmfestival/screeningroom2.asp>

The Soccer Ball (Foundation for a Better Life)

http://www.schools.utah.gov/curr/lifeskills/char_ed/movies/28.wmv

The Giraffe Heroes Project (You Tube)

<http://www.youtube.com/user/giraffeheroesproject>