The Six Pillars of Character

Carter Elementary School

Character Education Program
You always SCORE with good character!

People of good character are admired and well respected in life. You can be a person of good character, too, by possessing six important traits. We call these traits the six pillars of character. They are **trustworthiness**, **respect**, **responsibility**, **fairness**, **caring** and **citizenship**.
“True Blue!”

• Be honest - don’t lie, steal or cheat.
• Always keep your promises.
• Be courageous enough to do what is right even though it may be difficult.
“The Golden Rule!”

- Be courteous and polite; don't insult people, make fun of them, or call them names.
- Listen to what other people have to say.
- Conduct yourself with dignity and pride.
“Reliable like an oak!”

• Create and maintain a safe living environment.

• Be reliable and dependable; when you agree to do something, do it.

• Think before you act and imagine the consequences.
“An orange divides into equal parts!”

- Play by the rules, and don’t be a sore-loser.
- Think about how your actions will affect others.
- Don't play favorites.
“Like a red heart!”

• Treat people with kindness and generosity.

• Be sensitive to people's feelings; never be mean or hurtful.

• Always remember - we become caring people by doing caring things!
“Regal – representing a state!”

- Do your share to make your school, your community and the world a better place.
- Participate in community activities and be a good good neighbor.
- Respect family values and follow the rules of your school and society.
• I am **trustworthy** when I tell the truth.
• I show **respect** when I listen to what others have to say.
• I am a **responsible** person when I take care of my own business; I never make others do what I am supposed to do.
• I am **fair** when I treat others the way I would like to be treated.
• I am **caring** when I help those in need of assistance or guidance.
• I am a good **citizen** when I take care of my school, home, family and friends.
“Points” to Ponder

- Name a famous person you look up to and list any pillars of character they possess.

- How can the pillars of character help you resolve problems you may face in life?

- What pillar do you personally want to work on? How will you work on this?