

Supporting Good Character at DES



Every month, students are engaged in classroom activities that emphasize these Character Education themes:

September Respect

October Responsibility

November/December Being helpful

January Positive Attitude

February Honesty

March Healthy choices

April/May Cooperation

In addition, different students each month write about what that month's theme means to them. These writings are displayed in the entry way of the school. Our students also helped create the DES character pledge below:

Today I will try my best to be <u>Honest</u>, <u>Helpful</u>, <u>Responsible</u>, <u>Respectful</u>, and have a <u>Positive Attitude</u>.

Finally, we end our year with a school wide "Character Counts" day, where our school celebrates the good character that was on display by our students through out the school year.

The goal of our character pledge, classroom activities, and character writings is to provide our students with consistent reminders that doing the right thing is important every day.