



This list is intended as a district guide only. Schools are free to shift any pillar to a different month based on important community ties, projects, or events which form a natural fit to better discussing that particular character trait.

Month/ Natural Ties	Pillar/ Meanings	How it Looks
August	Overview of Pillars	
September (Ties to establishing class/school rules & behavioral expectations for beginning of the year)	Respect Behavior intended to please your parents; a courteous expression of esteem or regard; courteous regard for people's feelings.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treat others with courtesy; follow the Golden Rule • Be tolerant of differences • Use good manners, not bad language • Be considerate of the feelings of others • Don't threaten, hit or hurt anyone • Deal peacefully with anger, insults and disagreements,
October (Columbus Day, United Nations Day, Florida Coastal Cleanup, pending elections)	Citizenship State of being a citizen; conduct as a citizen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do your share to make your school and community better • Get involved in community affairs • Stay informed; vote • Be a good neighbor • Obey laws and rules • Respect authority • Protect the environment
November (Veteran's Day)	Patriotism Love of country and willingness to sacrifice for it	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show respect for self and other symbols for our country • Learn the history of community, state, and nation • Exercise the right to vote
December (The holiday season)	Kindness Tendency to be kind and forgiving; the quality of being warm-hearted, considerate,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Say "excuse me", "please", "thank you" • Extend a hand • Think about how others feel Include others • Make and keep friends

	humane and sympathetic.	
January (Back from holiday break, New Year's resolutions)	Self-Control The act of denying yourself; controlling your impulses; control of one's behavior.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be willing to wait • Think before you speak or act • Contemplate the future
February (Black History Month, Chinese New Year, National Freedom Day,)	Tolerance Willingness to recognize and respect the beliefs or practices of others.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Embrace differences • Be a friend • Look inside a person • Never use "put downs" or fight
March (FSAs, EOCs teamwork)	Cooperation Joint operation or action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share • Help • Work together on a project • Reach agreement when more than one view is presented • Actively listen
April	Honesty The quality or state of being honest; probity; fairness and straightforwardness of conduct, speech, etc; integrity; sincerity; truthfulness.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tell the truth no matter what • Don't steal or cheat • Do the right thing
May (Prom, graduation, final exams, sending students off for summer vacation)	Responsibility The social force that binds you to your obligations and the courses of action demanding force; a form of trustworthiness.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do what you are supposed to do; be where you're supposed to be • Persevere: keep on trying! • Always do your best • Use self-control • Be self-disciplined • Think before you act & consider the consequences • Be accountable for your choices