

# Ahfachkee School Character Education Monthly Newsletter



September 2023

Greetings Parents and Guardians:

This marks the beginning of our monthly Character Education Program for this year. Each month this school year through May 2024, all of our teachers will be identifying only one of their students who has best demonstrated the trait for that month. These students will be recognized and will receive a certificate from Mr. Baer our Principal, for their accomplishment.

The character trait for the month of September is Cooperation. This newsletter offers you activities and ideas, which will assist you with helping your child to understand the importance of cooperation. Learning how to cooperate will help with success in school, in relationships with friends and in life over all. It is essential to remember that cooperation is a basic life skill that assists us in working together so that collaboration and creativity will ultimately bring about success.

## Ideas to Do as a Family:

- Have your child share with you about times they worked with someone else to make or do something. Emphasize that working together requires compromise and listening to others' ideas.
- Share with your child about something you did that required cooperation. Explain how you worked together with others.
- Schedule household chores at a time when all members of the family can work together to finish them.
- "Catch" your child cooperating and offer your encouragement by verbally showing your appreciation.
- Initiate a family project or activity that all family members can have a role.
- Select a hobby that interests the family and invite all family members to work together.
- Watch a movie or TV program together and discuss how the characters cooperated with each other.

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•Remember that the best teaching tool is to always model the behavior you want your child to learn.

## Character Check:

- What do you have to do so that you listen carefully to others?
- Can you name a time that you compromised during conflict?
- How can you encourage your child to do the very best?
- Ask yourself; is my child able to get along with others? How can I help him/her improve?
- Observe or ask the teacher whether your child participates well in-group activities.