

Thoughts lead to purpose.
 Purposes go forth in action.
 Actions form habits.
 Habits decide character.
 Character fixes our destiny.
 --Unknown

SHOW-ME CHARACTER

is Missouri 4-H Youth Development's
 Character Education Program
 based on CHARACTER COUNTS! SM

A PERSON OF CHARACTER:

- ★ Is a good person, someone to look up to and admire
- ★ Knows the difference between right and wrong and always tries to do what is right
- ★ Sets a good example
- ★ Makes the world a better place
- ★ Lives according to the "Six Pillars of Character":

Trustworthiness

Fairness

Respect

Caring

Responsibility

Citizenship



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 character development education
 for youth and adults, call:

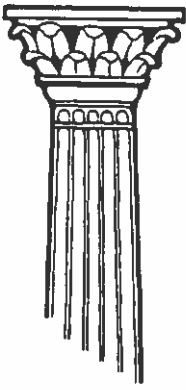


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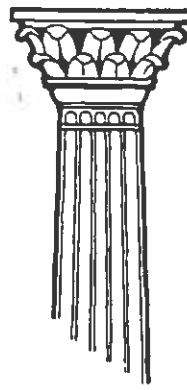
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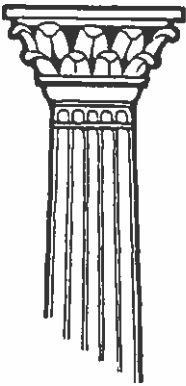
TRUSTWORTHINESS

- ★ Be honest
- ★ Don't deceive, cheat or steal
- ★ Be reliable—do what you say you'll do
- ★ Have the courage to do the right thing
- ★ Build a good reputation
- ★ Be loyal—stand by your family, friends and country



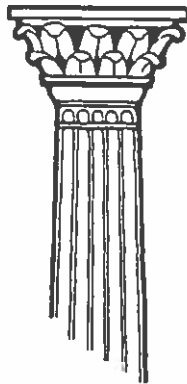
FAIRNESS

- ★ Play by the rules
- ★ Take turns and share
- ★ Be open-minded; listen to others
- ★ Don't take advantage of others
- ★ Don't blame others carelessly



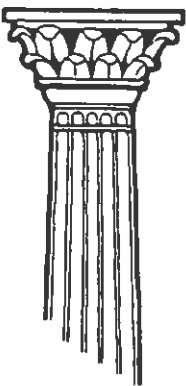
RESPECT

- ★ Treat others with respect
- ★ 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



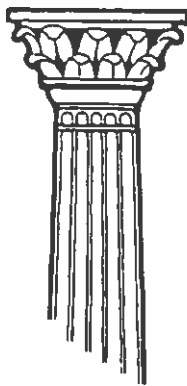
CARING

- ★ Be kind
- ★ Be compassionate and show you care
- ★ Express gratitude
- ★ Forgive others
- ★ Help people in need



RESPONSIBILITY

- ★ Do what you are supposed to do
- ★ Persevere; keep on trying!
- ★ Use self-control
- ★ Be self-disciplined
- ★ Think before you act—consider the consequences
- ★ Be accountable for your choices



CITIZENSHIP

- ★ Do your share to make your school and community better
- ★ Cooperate
- ★ Stay informed; vote
- ★ Be a good neighbor
- ★ Obey laws and rules
- ★ Respect authority
- ★ Protect the environment