THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LEE COUNTY CHARACTER EDUCATION CALENDAR

CHARACTER The **mental**, **ethical** and **moral** strengths and qualities distinctive to an individual, displayed through their thinking, feeling and behavior

"The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character – that is the goal of true education."

- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



AUGUST RESPONSIBILITY	SEPTEMBER ACCEPTANCE	OCTOBER RESPECT
Accountability for your personal choices, obligations and duties The price of greatness is responsibility." - Winston Churchill	Recognition of the diversity of others, their opinions, practices and culture with a favorable reception "Strength lies in differences, not in similarities." - Stephen Covey	Showing regard for the value of persons or things through courteous consideration and appreciation "There is no respect for others without humility in one's self." - Henri Frederic Amiel
NOVEMBER CITIZENSHIP/PATRIOTISM	DECEMBER KINDNESS	JANUARY COMMITMENT
The quality of an individual's response to membership in a community; respectful devotion or allegiance to one's country "Ask not what your country can do for you. Ask what you can do for your country." - John F. Kennedy	Demonstrating concern for the well-being of others "Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see." - Mark Twain	Binding yourself to a course of action despite obstacles "Commitment is what transforms a promise into reality." - Abraham Lincoln
FEBRUARY HONESTY	MARCH COURAGE	APRIL INTEGRITY
Being truthful, trustworthy and free from deception "Honesty is the fastest way to prevent a mistake from turning into a failure." - James Altucher	The personal strength to face difficulties, obstacles and challenges; having the determination to do the right thing even when others do not "Courage is resistance to fear and mastery of fear, not absence of fear." - Mark Twain	Adhering steadfastly to a personal sense of honorable and ethical behavior "The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy." - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
MAY PATIENCE	JUNE COOPERATION	JULY SELF-CONTROL
The ability to wait calmly without complaining "Patience is the calm acceptance that things can happen in a different order than the one you have in mind." - David G. Allen	Working together for a common purpose "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." - Helen Keller	The ability to direct or regulate your actions, emotions and words "Self-control is knowing you can but deciding you won't." - Author unknown