



Students demonstrate awareness of their external supports.				
	Indicators	Sample Activities		
"I am aware of the supports I have around me."	<ul> <li>Have awareness of where to go for support when in need.</li> <li>Evaluate the benefits of participating in extra-curricular activities.</li> <li>Recognize outside influences on the development of personal characteristics and discern whether those influences are supportive or non-supportive.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Design a school scavenger hunt.</li> <li>Students create a public service announcement advertising an extracurricular activity and why people should join it.</li> <li>Students make a collage showing those things that have influenced them.</li> </ul>		
Students demonstrate	awareness of their personal traits.			
	Indicators	Sample Activities		
"I am aware of my traits, know what I do well, and know what areas I can work on."	<ul> <li>Analyze how personal qualities and temperaments influence choices and successes.</li> <li>Apply self-reflection techniques to recognize their strengths, weaknesses, and potential.</li> <li>Implement a plan to build on strengths, meet a need, or address a challenge.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Administer school-to-work personality trait tests.</li> <li>Students make a curious cube. For each face of the cube, they write a different side of their personality: strengths, potential, etc.</li> <li>Assign final projects that are designed by students to build on their strengths.</li> </ul>		
Students demonstrate	an awareness of their emotions.			
	Indicators	Sample Activities		
"I am aware of what I am feeling."	<ul> <li>Recognize negative emotions as indicators of situations in need of attention.</li> <li>Analyze emotional states that contribute to or detract from their ability to problem solve.</li> <li>Explain the possible outcomes associated with the different forms of communicating emotions.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Design analogies about emotions (i.e. emotions are like the warning signals on the dashboard).</li> <li>Discuss the objectivity of a scientist and make connections to when it's useful to show objectivity.</li> <li>Look at ways in history that various characters have communicated their emotions and discuss the results.</li> </ul>		
Students have a sense	Students have a sense of personal responsibility.			
"I am aware of and accept my responsibilities."	<ul> <li>Indicators</li> <li>Identify the areas of school and life that are within their control.</li> <li>Analyze the short and long term outcomes of safe, risky, and harmful behaviors.</li> <li>Define their responsibility for the outcomes involved in safe, risky, and harmful behaviors.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sample Activities</li> <li>Class brainstorms a list of areas that students can control.</li> <li>Students design a brochure detailing safety issues and procedures regarding common scenarios and behaviors.</li> <li>Students write their own 'report card' where they grade themselves on how well they are following through with their responsibilities, adding comments that defend the grade.</li> </ul>		





Students use effective decision-making skills.				
	Indicators	Sample Activities		
"I can make good decisions."	<ul> <li>Identify and apply the steps of systematic decision-making.</li> <li>Evaluate strategies for avoiding risky behavior.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Students think about past decisions and break down the steps that they took to reach that decision.</li> <li>Students write "If only" papers.</li> <li>Students role-play possible responses to peer pressure and other scenarios.</li> </ul>		
Students demonstr	ate ability to manage their emotion	s constructively.		
	Indicators	Sample Activities		
"I can manage my emotions in a way that is constructive and appropriate."	<ul> <li>Apply strategies to manage stress and to motivate successful performance.</li> <li>Reflect on possible consequences, both positive and negative, before expressing an emotion.</li> <li>Generate ways to develop positive attitudes (optimism).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Discuss the strategies literary characters used to handle their stressors.</li> <li>Students develop a graphic organizer that compares and contrasts ways to express feelings.</li> </ul>		
Students demonstr	rate honesty/integrity.			
	Indicators	Sample Activities		
"I can act in an honest manner."	Activate personal integrity as a tool to resist negative peer pressure.	• Read a story (for example The Chocolate War) and discuss the character's response		
	Evaluate how honesty contributes to lifelong success and relationship building.	<ul> <li>to peer pressure.</li> <li>Students do a comparison to how they would respond.</li> <li>Students write about a time when it would have been easy to lie, but they chose to be honest instead.</li> </ul>		
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## **SOCIAL-AWARENESS** / Middle School



Students demonstrate an awareness of other people's emotions and perspectives.				
	Indicators	Sample Activities		
"I care about the feelings and viewpoints of others."	<ul> <li>Analyze ways their behavior may affect the feelings of others and adjust accordingly.</li> <li>Provide support and encouragement</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Students write alternate endings to stories through changing the behavior of one character.</li> <li>Hold class meetings where students are given</li> </ul>		
	to others in need.  • Show respect for other people's perspectives.	<ul> <li>the opportunity to support one another.</li> <li>On the outside of a paper bag, students make a collage of how they think others feel about an issue, on the inside they put pictures/words of how they feel about that issue. Discuss the varying perspectives.</li> </ul>		
Students demonstrate consideration for others and a desire to positively contribute to their community.				
	Indicators	Sample Activities		
"I care about others and do my part to make my community better."	<ul> <li>Explain how their decisions and behaviors affect the well-being of their school and community.</li> <li>Explore a community or global need and generate possible solutions.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Students draw an "Impact web" of how their actions could affect others, or how a historical figure's actions affected society.</li> <li>Students look at global needs and do a class discussion on what they would do to help if they were President of the U.S.A.</li> </ul>		
Students demonstrate an awareness of cultural issues and a respect for human dignity and differences.				
	Indicators	Sample Activities		
"I care about and respect the individual differences of others."	<ul> <li>Analyze how people of different groups can help one another and enjoy each other's company.</li> <li>Explain how individual, social, and cultural differences may increase vulnerability to stereotyping and identify ways to address this.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Do an activity around the "Flash Judgments" video (YouTube).</li> <li>Teach a unit on media literacy and have students analyze media for who is being featured in commercials, shows, etc. and whether that is leading to stereotyping.</li> </ul>		
Students can read so	Students can read social cues.			
<i>((1)</i>	Indicators	Sample Activities		
"I care about how I perceive others and how they perceive me."	<ul> <li>Analyze social situations and appropriate responses to those situations (e.g. school dance, peer pressure situations, cliques, public speaking).</li> <li>Recognize the personal boundaries of themselves and others (friends, family members, and teachers).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Students create a how-to guide describing to a newcomer the appropriate behavior in various situations.</li> <li>Discuss the importance of land boundaries in world politics. Apply that logic to personal boundaries. Why is it important to honor those? What are potential outcomes?</li> </ul>		

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Students use positive communication and social skills to interact effectively with others.					
"I will interact well with others."	<ul> <li>Indicators</li> <li>Demonstrate an ability to both assume leadership and be a team player in achieving group goals.</li> <li>Differentiate between passive, assertive, and aggressive responses.</li> <li>Practice reflective listening.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sample Activities</li> <li>Design group activities that take multiple talents. Discuss how the team could best work together by using each other's strengths.</li> <li>Pairs share complex stories or opinions and practice reflective listening while the</li> </ul>			
	J	audience takes note			
Students develop o	Students develop constructive relationships.				
"I will work on having constructive relationships."	<ul> <li>Indicators</li> <li>Distinguish between positive and negative peer pressure and demonstrate strategies for resisting negative peer pressure.</li> <li>Involve themselves in positive activities with their peer group.</li> <li>Demonstrate ability to be true to personal values when choosing friendships.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sample Activities</li> <li>In groups, make a cartoon strip that shows strategies for resisting negative peer pressure.</li> <li>Hold an "Activity Fair" aimed at encouraging students to participate in extracurricular activities.</li> </ul>			
Students demonstrate the ability to prevent, manage, and resolve interpersonal conflicts in constructive ways.					
"I will deal with interpersonal conflicts constructively."	<ul> <li>Indicators</li> <li>Identify the roles of individuals in conflict and understand their responsibility in reaching resolution.</li> <li>Apply conflict resolution skills to deescalate, defuse, and resolve differences.</li> <li>Identify how all parties in conflict might get their needs met (win-win).</li> <li>Identify positive supports to go to in a conflict situation/crisis.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sample Activities</li> <li>As students role-play particular conflict roles (i.e. aggressors, victims, bystanders, peacemakers) observers record how the behaviors helped or hindered resolution.</li> <li>Hold class debates over a particular issue that must end in a win-win for the class to be successful.</li> </ul>			

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