

Board-wide Action

Character Development Website ...

About the program ...

The Waterloo Region District School Board has created a character development website to provide a forum for sharing resources, stories and links for staff. It can be found online at <http://www.wrdsb.ca/characterdevelopment/> .

The website tells the story of character development in the Waterloo Region District School Board. The board's eight attributes provide focus and clarity to the efforts of staff to work together both to learn about character and to act as communities of character.



Impact on student learning and school culture ...

- The sharing of resources provides support and ideas to staff about embedding character development in curriculum and the daily life of their classrooms and schools. Resources range from PowerPoint presentations about character development for schools, to picture books for students, to resource books for classroom teachers.
- The information on the website highlights the excellent character development work being done throughout the board. The website is an excellent way to get the message out there about what work is being done in the community and how to access it. For example, it was an ideal venue to advertise about the [Caring Schools for All symposium](#), held in Spring 2009. This work will also be reflected in the powerful stories which are being added to the site.
- The website provides an opportunity for teachers to reflect on and promote a healthy, inclusive and safe school environment.

Making connections ...

The website's logo represents the board's integrated approach to character development. It recognizes character development as a matter of knowing (the head), feeling (the heart) and doing (the hands).

To find out more, contact ...

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