PACE Team Meeting  
NW Regional Culture of Character Project - PACE  
March 18, 2010, Maryville  

Notes from 3-18-2010 Meeting in Maryville (McKemy)  
Notes from 3-30-10 Meeting in Bethany (South Harrison)  

NW MO Regional Culture of Character Project Goals:  
- To create a culture at school, in the work place, in the community, and in the home where character building is the norm and not the exception.  
- To purposely create a diversified learning-space for conversations to take place between student, teacher, child, parent, employer, and employee.  

Vision Statement:  
The Northwest Missouri, as a unified region, will be actively engage in demonstrating character excellence. It will be evident in the culture of our schools, businesses, families, and communities that achieving this way of life is a priority.  

9:00 -  
- Welcome - There were no additions to the agenda. A short discussion about Race to the Top was conducted. It is unknown at this time what the implications are for our schools and the RPDC. If you have concerns you should communicate them with the state school board and your legislator(s).  

- Cooperation Celebrations  
  - Tarkio’s board of education showed cooperation by fully funding Career Ladder for next year (not conditional on state funding)  
  - King City hosted a Talent Night in cooperation with PTO and the Ministerial Alliance. The Talent Show had a huge turnout and was a wonderful success.  
  - Annette Deering (4-H Youth Development Specialist) with the University Extension Center cooperates with areas schools by going in to deliver a PACE message monthly. This past month she did a Lego activity to show cooperation.  
  - The NW RPDC celebrated all of the “behind the scenes” help they have to host the web page, the trainings/meetings, and services. The people in the RPDC makes sure everything runs smoothly - thanks to Abby, Ann, and Marsha!  
  - Gallatin teachers cooperatively teach character by each classroom doing something in their classroom once per month. The teachers are cooperatively sponsoring a MAP testing pep rally.  
  - North Harrison hosted an elementary BB tourney, PTO and CTA cooperatively sponsored it. CTA used the funds for scholarships. K-4 is have a BB tourney and NH society cooperatively having 5th grade students
help paint faces is sponsoring it. PTO is cooperatively bringing snacks during MAP testing. North Harrison and North Mercer agree to wear the opposing team's colors during sectional BB game at NW.

- Pattonsburg cooperatively had elementary BB tourney with help from the booster club. The money is used cooperatively among different grades/classes. Smoke Busters (through health department) that say no to tobacco has cooperatively given healthy messages in the district. School newspaper always has an article to show students exhibiting this trait.

- January Meeting - follow-up
  Hal Urban - Currently there is not a plan to bring Hal Urban back next year, but the beginning teacher mentoring program plans to use his book with the mentoring program. Currently the plan is to give each mentor/protégé a book next year to use in there mentoring work. If you used his book as a book study, please send your ideas/suggestions via email the RPDC (rpdc@nwmissouri.edu)

- February Team Training
  Leader In Me - Paul Pitchford presented Stephen Covey's "7 Habits" work that is written specifically for schools. The schools in attendance found this information very useful and a good "next step" for their character efforts.
  PBS - Belinda VonBehren presented how to incorporate character into Positive Behavior Supports.

- Marketing
  Monthly Poster - The monthly poster has been the same since we started and is easily being looked over (not attracting attention), so we would like to give it a "face lift". So please send in ideas to make our monthly posters fresh and eye catching (while still being user-friendly). We want to encourage everyone to not take the posters/words for granted; please do announcements, put them on daily reminders, and keep them in your communications.
  Update Materials - The website has dated pictures and it needs new additions. The RPDC would like for schools/partners to send in PACE activities/pictures to post on the website (with proper permission to post).
  Sports Promoting Character - Would it be possible to partner with a school and have a PACE night? This night could be a cooperating effort amongst competing schools with each school wearing "their" PACE shirts and possibly the athletes or activity participants would wear temporary tattoos or post PACE towels.
  PACE Fridays - Are you wearing your PACE shirts the first FRIDAY of each month? Please try to wear you PACE shirts the first Friday (or another day) each month. Let's try to spread the word(s)!
St. Joseph Partnering

• Resource Sharing
  o Resources were shared and will be added to the website. One handout was a way to recognize adults (adults who are showing the character trait) and the other handout was a way to encourage families to do activities at home incorporating the monthly trait.
  o It was suggested a way to discuss character traits could be during progress monitoring/benchmarking times. This is a small amount of time that could be utilized as a reinforcement of the traits.

• The Summer Character Education Conference is St. Louis June 22-23

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It was mentioned that it might be best to host local end of year celebrations (within your own local school). Remember to invite patrons, recognize two outstanding partners by presenting them with a t-shirt, and invite the media to cover the event.

Next year we will try to have these meetings every 6 weeks. Can these meetings “piggy back” on other meetings? If we have one meeting out of our school on this day, can it be the same day/location just a earlier/later time?

KXCV Radio or KAAN in Bethany or Cameron

- August -
- September - Jefferson
- October - Tarkio
- November - Albany
- December - King City
- January 2010 – N.E. Nodaway
- February - Lathrop Middle School
- March - N. Harrison
- April - Winston
- May - Gallatin
- June -
- July - Kawasaki
- August -

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