

## Make Your Character Count Every Day!

Watch your thoughts;  
They become your words.

Watch your words;  
They become your actions.

Watch your actions;  
They become your habits.

Watch your habits;  
They become your character.

Watch your character;  
It becomes your destiny.

Pirke Avot



### The Counselor Believes:

Children have dignity and worth as human beings.

Children learn best when they feel good about themselves and their relationships with others.

Children who understand their feelings are better able to control their behavior.

Children are capable of making responsible choices.

Attitudes formed during elementary school shape future attitudes toward learning, self and society.

Working with parents is crucial in a school setting.

"No act of kindness, however small, is ever wasted."

Aesop



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## What Does a Counselor Do?



- Talks with students individually and in small groups.
- Helps students learn responsibility by becoming aware of the consequences of their behavior.
- Facilitates developmental classroom guidance activities for all students.
- Maintains student and parent confidences.
- Encourages parent and community involvement in education.
- Helps identify the special needs of children.
- Promotes positive attitudes among students and staff.
- Works with parents and teachers to help their children achieve their fullest academic, social and emotional potential.
- Coordinates efforts with other school specialists.
- Works closely with outside agencies and community resources.

## How Can Your Child Visit the Counselor?

- Student may request to visit with the counselor.
- Teacher may request that the counselor visit with a student.
- Parents may request that the counselor visit with their child.
- Principal or counselor may see the need to visit with a student.



Character is the foundation stone upon which one must build to win respect.

Just as no worthy building can be erected on a weak foundation, so no lasting reputation worthy of respect can be built on a weak character.

R.C. Samsel

The character traits at Cottonwood Elementary are under construction. Our blocks for building excellence in students include:

Aug./September -

October -

November -

December -

January -

February -

March -

April -

May -

Each year we also spend a significant amount of time on bullying and career exploration.

We can not always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future.

Franklin D. Roosevelt

