

North Grove Vikings are

Committed to

Character

Character Trait of the Month

Determination

What it means: firmness of purpose; resoluteness

Synonyms:

- Resolve
- Willpower
- Fixing

Quote:

“Determination today leads to success tomorrow.” – Unknown

In history...

The inventor of the light bulb didn't get it right first time; in fact he tried many methods before getting it right. He was so determined to invent the light bulb and provide an alternative to oil and gas lights illuminating our cities, that he tried nearly 1000 methods. In a famous quote he was once asked why he wouldn't give up as he had failed so many times. Edison is reported to have said 'I have not failed! I've just found 1000 ways that wouldn't work.'

<http://infomory.com/famous/famous-examples-of-determination/>

What it looks like:

- Never giving up
- Not complaining
- Following through with commitment
- Having a positive attitude
- Setting goals
- Overcoming barriers
- Creating action plans to achieve goals

What do North Grove Vikings say about determination?

“If someone says ‘you can’t do it’ you always have the confidence in yourself to do it.”

– Caitlyn Bischoff, 3th grade

“When your body says you can’t do it, but your heart says to keep going.”

– Dylan Marshall, 3rd grade

“Determination is never giving up and staying positive.”

– Ellie Carr, 1st grade

At Home Discussion:

Conversation Starters:

- What does determination look like to you?
- Why is determination important?
- How will determination help you in your life?
- What goals have you set that you want to achieve?