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Dear Families,

This week, our school community will focus on the character strength of **Teamwork**. Teamwork means you work well as a member of a group or team. You are loyal, reliable, and dedicated to helping your team achieve its goals.

Teamwork involves prioritizing group success. Those strong in teamwork help all group members succeed, committing time and resources to the group's goals. They often delay personal accomplishments to ensure the group's overall success, which fosters positive feelings and counters selfishness and egotism.

For individuals, teamwork often means deferring or delaying individual accomplishments in order to ensure that the group maintains a high level of success. Their commitment to the larger group effort makes them good teammates. The positive feelings associated with being part of a larger whole — can be highly beneficial and combat selfishness and egotism.

To practice and encourage the character strength of teamwork at home, please visit the Positivity Project's mobile-friendly [P2 for Families](#). There, you will watch a video clip together and discuss a quote and three questions related to teamwork.

Have a wonderful week and don't forget to visit our information table at our PK-12 Open House event on Thursday, September 26th from 6:00PM to 7:30PM.

Respectfully,

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TEAMWORK



Virtue: Justice. Strengths of justice refer to the optimal relationship between the individual and the group or community, rather than the more one-to-one relationships in the humanity virtue. These strengths include: teamwork, fairness, and leadership.

WHAT DOES TEAMWORK MEAN?

You work well as a member of a group or team. You are loyal, reliable, and dedicated to helping your team achieve its goals.

WHY DOES THIS MATTER?

People who demonstrate teamwork often work to help all group members find success. Teamwork is associated with naturally positive feelings that come with being a member of a family, team, school, or group. Practicing the Other People Mindset is an important part of being a member of a successful team.



QUOTES ON TEAMWORK

"Teamwork is the ability to work together toward a common vision. The ability to direct individual accomplishments toward organizational objectives. It is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results."

-Andrew Carnegie

"Individually, we are one drop. Together, we are an ocean."

-Ryunosuke Satoro

"Cooperation is the thorough conviction that nobody can get there unless everybody gets there."

-Virginia Burden

"Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, and working together is success."

-Henry Ford

