

Ideal Characteristics for North Fork Students

1. TRUSTWORTHY

- truthful
- honest
- dependable
- does own work
- forthright
- ethical
- sincere
- willing to admit mistakes

2. RESPONSIBLE

- good attendance/punctual
- takes care of school property
- accepts consequences for actions
- turns in completed homework
- works to improve his/her school and community
- doesn't make excuses
- learns from mistakes
- puts forth best effort
- follows instructions
- makes good decisions
- takes care of belongings
- obeys school/class rules
- takes initiative
- comes to class prepared

3. RESPECTFUL OF SELF/OTHERS

- attempts to include everyone
- avoids using put-downs
- open-minded to another's view
- shows respect to adults
- tolerant of others and their differences (age, economics, culture, race, gender, religion, ability)
- never talks back
- treats others with dignity
- appropriate dress for functions
- respects others space/property
- attentive
- displays patriotism
- understanding of peers
- good personal hygiene

4. COOPERATIVE

- gets along well with others
- helpful
- does things willingly
- accommodating
- collaborative
- takes turns
- willing to share
- volunteers
- willing to forgive others

5. SELF-DISCIPLINED

- sets/achieves goals
- thinks before acting and speaking
- takes charge of self
- pushes self beyond minimum
- works independently
- self-motivated
- strong work ethic
- self-controlled
- organized
- persistent
- uses time wisely
- completes tasks

6. POSITIVE

- optimistic
- open-minded
- voices concerns in an appropriate way
- displays positive self-esteem
- confident
- enthusiastic
- cheerful

7. GOOD ROLE MODEL

- courageous
- deals effectively with peer pressure
- strives to communicate effectively
- decisive
- encourages others
- independent
- respected by peers
- shows initiative

8. RESOURCEFUL

- acquires info in a variety of ways
- critical thinker
- practical
- good problem-solver
- able to improvise
- seeks help when needed
- creative
- adaptable

9. WELL-MANNERED

- courteous/polite
- greets/acknowledges others
- displays proper audience etiquette
- demonstrates proper table manners
- walks around two people speaking
- picks up after oneself
- introduces others to someone who doesn't know them
- removes hat in public buildings, during the Pledge of Allegiance, National Anthem, and Alma Mater
- demonstrates common courtesies to others (e.g. opens doors, helps carry packages, etc.)
- uses appropriate language
- says "please", "thank-you", "you're welcome", and "excuse me"
- allows others to speak without interrupting
- shakes hands/makes eye contact when meeting others
- listens to public address announcements

10. GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP

- displays school spirit in positive ways
- treats visitors with respect and dignity
- treats referees with dignity
- loyal to school
- supportive of North Fork players, team, coach
- displays a positive attitude
- uses appropriate language
- properly represents North Fork when participating in extra curricular activities
- cheer, not jeer, in victory/defeat
- shows respect to opponents/fans