

York Region's Character Council says April is Respect Month!



I LIVE WITH RESPECT

I will treat myself and others with consideration, high regard, courtesy and dignity.

WHAT IS RESPECT?

Definition: To have deferential regard for; to treat with consideration.

RESPECT is when you show good manners, pay attention, treat others as you would like to be treated.

I WILL:

- be polite, dignified, honorable and positive in my dealings with others.
- honour people's rights.
- treat other people's belongings, the environment and the world around us with due consideration.
- demonstrate respect for myself by behaving in the above manner.

TELL US YOUR RESPECT STORY!

Has someone's demonstration of respect left you feeling great? Let us know your story about respect. Contact us at our website, www.region.york.on.ca/cc and we'll post some of the stories online for everyone to read.



At the Toby & Henry Battle Developmental Centre in Thornhill, respect is about treating clients with dignity by giving them the chance to explore their unique abilities and celebrate their successes.

BOOKS, MOVIES, WEBSITES!

TO READ: Some books that teach us about RESPECT:

- *Respect is Correct* by Linda Grossman Sky (ISBN 0-7737-3092-3)
- *I'm Sorry* by Susan McBratney (ISBN 0-06-028686-5)
- *You Are Special* by Max Lucado (ISBN 0-439-066365-5)
- *A World of Faith*, Peggy Stack, Fletcher and Kathleen Peterson (ISBN 1-56085-116-3)
- *The Long Road* by Luis Garay (ISBN 0-88776-408-8)
- *Bullies Are a Pain in the Brain* by Trevor Romain (ISBN 1-575842-023-6)
- *Tiger Woods* by Jeff Savage (ISBN 0-590-42560-9)
- *Different Just Like Me* by Lori Mitchell (ISBN 0-88106-975-2)

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TO WATCH: Great family movies that can teach us about RESPECT include:

- *Shrek* — The characters learn to respect each other despite appearances.
- *Pocahontas* — John Smith learns to respect Native culture.
- *The Emperor's New Groove* — A real lesson about respecting other people's property and their rights.

TO VISIT: Try these websites:

- www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca - Look for INNOVATION and find Character Matters!
- www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/SchoolsOnline/charactered.html
- www.charactercounts.org

HOW DO I SHOW RESPECT?

Hey, it's not as hard as you think, especially now that you're thinking about it.

RESPECT can be shown in many little ways and, if you want your children to be respectful, the best way to achieve that is to model respectful behaviour for them. Here's some ideas:

- Thank the people who serve you each day, genuinely and with a big smile. The grocery clerk, the gas bar attendant, the teacher, the telephone operator. If your child sees you being genuinely grateful for the contributions of others, s/he will be encouraged to adopt that behaviour.
- Demonstrate care for the environment. Be respectful of parks and public places by putting your trash and recyclables in the appropriate containers.
- Listen to your child. Look him/her in the eye when the two of you are talking. Pay attention. Repeat the key message. Acknowledge the information and show you care.
- Say "please" and "thank you" often and honestly.
- Teach your children about other cultures, about people who have different abilities or physical challenges, about other types of families. Demonstrate a respect for the differences in our community and celebrate our diversity. It will demonstrate respect.

We serve with respect.



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