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Character Education

1.0 Introduction:

- 1.1 The Durham District School Board is committed to providing Character Education to all students within every school and at each grade level.

2.0 Key Beliefs and Principles:

- 2.1 Although Character Development is the primary responsibility of parents/guardians and families, schools play an important role in developing positive Character Traits in students.
- 2.2 Character Education supports academic achievement by:
- contributing to a safe, healthy and orderly learning environment which are pre-requisites for learning;
 - assisting in the development of the whole student, considering the cognitive, emotional, social and physical domains;
 - allowing students a voice in their learning;
 - developing students as both individual learners and engaged citizens;
 - helping foster positive learning environments that are collaborative;
 - building a sense of community within the classroom and school that is inclusive and respectful;
 - establishing high expectations for learning and promoting meaningful student engagement.

Appendix:

Appendix A – “Character Education: A Foundation for Your Future” English

Appendix B – “Character Education: A Foundation for Your Future” French

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Legislative References

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