



New Jersey Alliance for  
Social, Emotional, and  
Character Development

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# 2026 Schools of Character Recognition Booklet

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## New Jersey Alliance for Social, Emotional, and Character Development (NJASECD)

The New Jersey Alliance for Social Emotional and Character Development is a not-for-profit 501c3 organization, composed of volunteers who work throughout New Jersey to support the work that schools do to improve school culture and climate by focusing on character education and social-emotional learning.

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## State and National Schools of Character

The School of Character Program was initiated by the Character Education Partnership (now Character.org) to recognize schools across the country demonstrating an exemplary level of implementation of *The Eleven Principles Framework: Cultivating a Culture of Character*. Originally, this program was competitive with only ten schools being chosen each year as National Schools of Character. Now, the program recognizes all schools that meet the criteria set down in the *Eleven Principles*. Teams of reviewers knowledgeable in the field of character education and familiar with the *Eleven Principles* evaluated applications from schools applying to be Schools of Character.

In 2006, the School of Character Program was expanded to include State Schools of Character (SSOC). New Jersey was the first state to conduct state-level evaluations and the first four State Schools of Character were named by New Jersey in 2006. The New Jersey Schools of Character program recognizes schools and districts that excel in exemplifying *The Eleven Principles Framework: Cultivating a Culture of Character* and demonstrate an outstanding character education initiative that yields positive results in student behavior, school climate, and academic performance. State Schools of Character are then evaluated by national site visitors for recognition as National Schools of Character. National Schools of Character serve as models and ambassadors of effective character education.

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# 2026 School of Character Honorees



## New Jersey State Schools of Character

Alan B. Shepard Jr. Elementary School . . . . .	Old Bridge, NJ
Burlington County Institute of Technology, Westampton Campus . . . . .	Westampton, NJ
Carl Sandburg Middle School . . . . .	Old Bridge, NJ
Caroline L. Reutter School . . . . .	Franklinville, NJ
Donald Stewart Center for Early Childhood Education, School #51 . . . . .	Elizabeth, NJ
General Charles G. Harker School. . . . .	Woolwich Township, NJ
Glassboro High School . . . . .	Glassboro, NJ
Hillside Elementary School. . . . .	Livingston, NJ
Joyce Kilmer Elementary School. . . . .	Cherry Hil, NJ
Katherine Johnson, Dorothy Vaughan, Mary Jackson STEM Academy #92 . . . . .	Elizabeth, NJ
Kindergarten Success Academy . . . . .	Roselle, NJ
Leroy Gordon Cooper Elementary School . . . . .	Keyport, NJ
Pioneer Academy . . . . .	Wayne, NJ
PS 20-Dr. Maya Angelou Elementary School. . . . .	Jersey City, NJ
Raymond E. Voorhees Elementary School . . . . .	Old Bridge, NJ
Virgil I. Grissom Elementary School. . . . .	Old Bridge, NJ
Woodmont Elementary School . . . . .	Pine Brook, NJ
Woodrow Wilson Middle School . . . . .	Edison, NJ

## National Schools of Character

Alan B Shepard Jr. Elementary School . . . . .	Old Bridge, NJ
Burlington County Institute of Technology, Westampton Campus . . . . .	Westampton, NJ
Camden County Technical Schools, Gloucester Campus . . . . .	Sicklerville, NJ
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Virgil I. Grissom Elementary School. . . . .	Old Bridge, NJ
Woodmont Elementary School . . . . .	Pine Brook, NJ

## New Jersey Honorable Mention Schools of Character

Academy Street Elementary School. . . . .	Dover, NJ
Dorothy L. Bullock School, . . . . .	Glassboro, NJ
Thomas E. Bowe Middle School. . . . .	Glassboro, NJ
Warren Middle School, . . . . .	Warren, NJ

## New Jersey Emerging Schools of Character

Bellmawr School District . . . . .	Bellmawr, NJ
Lisa Munoz Marin Elementary School . . . . .	Newark, NJ
Thomas Edison EnergySmart Charter School . . . . .	Somerset, NJ



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Alan B. Shepard School's distinguished character education journey has spanned more than two decades, marked by continuous growth, innovation, and a steadfast commitment to developing engaged and responsible citizens. Over these years, Shepard School has transformed challenges into Promising Practices, demonstrating dedication to ongoing reflection and excellence. They have been recognized for Play Unified, Classroom Close Up New Jersey, and strong partnerships with community organizations. Shepard's outstanding culture of growth- mindset has enabled them to cultivate an environment where character education is maintained and shapes future change.

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Burlington County Institute of Technology Westampton Campus shines as its character development is embedded and woven into the fabric of who they are as a school community. Guided by a steadfast commitment to nurturing respect, gratitude, responsibility, and collaboration in every aspect of school life, Westech is dedicated to these core values shaping their culture, expectations, and the experiences of their students. Shifting from disciplinary practices to emphasizing reflection and personal growth helps students learn from mistakes through programs such as ASPIRE, Safe Schools, student Peace Agreement, and student reflections.



## 2026 Schools of Character Program Summaries

### Camden County Technical Schools-Gloucester Campus

2026 National School of Character

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The character journey of **Camden County Technical Schools– Gloucester Township Campus** has been a transformative experience that empowers both students and staff. Both voices are heard as they work together at the Annual School Planning Committee and Strategic Planning Meetings. This recertified high school also prepares its students for a higher mission in life; by the time students graduate, they not only possess career knowledge, technical skills, and workplace readiness, but also they are guided by a strong moral compass and the determination to effect positive change in their communities.

### Carl Sandburg Middle School

2026 State and National School of Character

Grades 6-8

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Carl Sandburg Middle School has been purposefully and strategically committed to fostering a positive climate and culture for over a decade. As a previous State and National School of Character their programs and initiatives have continued to evolve and expand, demonstrating high academic expectations, a deep commitment to developing the whole child and strengthening connections with a comprehensive Social Emotional Learning program. Sandburg's unwavering commitment to addressing students' needs, supporting expectations, and building a positive school community is the foundation for student growth.



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### **Caroline L. Reutter School**

2026 State School of Character

Grades 5-6

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Reutter School's intentional character journey ensures every student develops a robust moral compass guided by their RAM STRONG core values. Focusing on two key strategies: moral action and ethical standards through rigorous Service Learning compels students to move beyond passive learning, challenging them to assess community needs and translate values like Responsibility and Gratitude into meaningful action. This focus on student autonomy and ownership ensures moral development is tied directly to civic engagement.

### **Central Elementary School**

2026 National School of Character

Grades 2-5

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Central Elementary School in East Hanover has invigorated its character education program since it was last certified with a focused, lively approach to its new values—Bravery, Empathy, Leadership, Optimism, Integrity, and Grit. With student involvement as the heart of its initiative, its community-based service-learning program has received kudos. Not only do students engage in regular visits to a nearby senior center, where they interact with residents, but they also partner with the Seeing Eye Dogs of Morristown to experience ways of supporting and learning about these service animals and their essential role in assisting people with visual impairments.



## 2026 Schools of Character Program Summaries

### Donald Stewart Center for Early Childhood Education School #51

2026 State and National School of Character

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Donald Stewart School No. 51 believes that character development in the early childhood classroom lays the foundation for lifelong learning. The guiding pillar, “Friends Care, Friends Share,” reflects the core values needed to build responsible citizenship for preschoolers. In meeting the diverse needs of the ever-changing population, Donald Stewart School No 51 has nurtured lasting compassion for self, others, and the environment.

### General Charles G. Harker School

2026 State School of Character

Grades 3-5

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The General Charles G. Harker School works to define their focus and purpose as an instructional institute respecting character and morals as much as academics. With the goal of understanding and celebrating the differences that each of our students, staff members, and community members bring to our Harker School family, Harker School is consistently learning, growing, and adapting the character education initiative to represent the stakeholders and show what Comet Pride truly means to the community.



## 2026 Schools of Character Program Summaries

### Glassboro High School

2026 State School of Character

Grades 9-12

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Glassboro High School is the epicenter of the community. They open their arms to the community, provide for families in need, and work with local organizations to provide resources. Small but mighty, they are often referred to as the “Little Engine that Could” from the beloved childhood story. Through positivity and perseverance, the community of Glassboro High School is thriving, school pride and a deep-rooted connection to the community have helped them focus on service learning, respect, empathy, and communication.

### Helen A. Fort Middle School

2026 National School of Character

Grades 7-8

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**Helen A. Fort**, a diverse middle school, clearly is not content to rest on its laurels as a National School of Character. Creative initiatives make this school a very caring home: Hornet Pride lessons bring the core values of grit, self-control, empathy, zest, curiosity and optimism to life; an eighth-grade promotion ceremony features student speakers who show how the core values impacted their lives; students in Circle of Friends work with other students who need additional support; last but not least, the staff functions as a happy family, producing a hilarious “Green Carpet” fashion show that is the highlight of the year.



## 2026 Schools of Character Program Summaries

### Hillside Elementary School

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Hillside Elementary School's character journey spans more than twelve years, representing a sustained and evolving commitment to developing the hearts, minds, and actions of their students. Guided by the Six Pillars of Character—trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship—these core values have served as the moral compass for the entire school community. Following these values, understanding that all are partners in creating a kind, respectful, and responsible environment the students recognize that character is not just taught but lived with empathy, integrity, initiative, and compassion.

### Joyce Kilmer Elementary School

2026 State School of Character  
Grades K-5  
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Joyce Kilmer Elementary is recognized for its positive culture and climate, as well as its strong tradition in Character Education. Their strong Character Education Committee has maintained a clear and consistent CE vision through administrative changes and challenges. Living by the core values of Respect, Responsibility, Brave, Caring, and Citizenship JKE infuses restorative justice, embraces yearly themes, and supports SEL. The school motto: Rooted in Values, Growing in Knowledge exemplifies Wildcat Pride. Strong family engagement helps affirm each child's unique strengths.



## 2026 Schools of Character Program Summaries

### **Katherine Johnson, Dorothy Vaughan, Mary Jackson STEM Academy #92**

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JVJ STEM Academy School No. 92 exemplifies qualities such as self-discipline, trustworthiness, acceptance, resilience, and social responsibility. These core values represented by the acronym S.T.A.R.S. and are deeply embedded not only in the character education program but also in the career strands the school offers. JVJ is competitive in the biomedical, engineering, and computer science fields, with a strong emphasis on social responsibility. The school mission and vision statements reflect and celebrate the unique character education journey in these areas.

### **Kindergarten Success Academy**

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Kindergarten Success Academy's character journey, now fourteen years strong, is guided by six core values: Kind, Caring, Respect, Responsible, Safe, and Integrity. The KSA Kangaroo's know the motto, "It's a great day at the KSA," reinforcing unity and excellence. KSA has expanded its character initiative to include monthly parent workshops, Books Before Bedtime, and schoolwide events such as Unity Day, and engaging families and the community in social-emotional growth. KSA's character journey continues to grow—rooted in compassion, strengthened by integrity, and guided by the belief that every child can learn, lead, and shine when character comes first.



## 2026 Schools of Character Program Summaries

### Leroy Gordon Cooper Elementary School

2026 State and National School of Character

Grades K-5

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Cooper Elementary has created a welcoming and inclusive environment where every child feels seen and valued. Restorative justice practices, including circles centered on respect and boundaries, have been integrated into classrooms to allow students to process experiences, rebuild relationships, and take ownership of their behavior. Cooper School uses Kelso's Choice and the Second Step program as proactive tools for conflict resolution and social-emotional growth. The peer leadership initiative, Helping Hands, empowers students to model positive behavior, support their peers, and strengthens the culture of kindness at Cooper. The students understand the lasting importance of service, generosity, and compassion for others.

### Pioneer Academy

2026 State School of Character

Grades PreK-12

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Pioneer Academy's core values of Curiosity, Creativity, Compassion, and Commitment form the moral, civic, intellectual, and performance foundation of the school's identity. Character is lived as a daily practice across classrooms, hallways, and community partnerships. The LIFT (Let's Improve Future Together) program integrates social-emotional learning, moral reflection, and service learning into every grade-level. LIFT connects local and global citizenship with daily habits of empathy, perseverance, and ethical reasoning. Pioneer Academy has transformed character education from an aspiration into a defining identity.



## 2026 Schools of Character Program Summaries

### PS 20-Dr. Maya Angelou Elementary School

2026 State School of Character

Grades PreK-5

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Dr. Maya Angelou Elementary School offers opportunities to help students grow academically and socially through caring, respect, and responsibility. Character education focuses on lessons that teach safety, responsibility, empathy, respect, encouragement, and community. Students are encouraged to make good choices, model positive behavior and celebrate when others demonstrate strong character. Dr. Maya Angelou Elementary is shaping leaders of Character who are prepared for middle school and beyond.

### Raymond E. Voorhees Elementary School

2026 State School of Character

Grades K-5

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Voorhees Elementary School has a simple but powerful belief: academic excellence matters, but true success lies in developing good people — students who are kind, respectful, and resilient. Voorhees has built a culture where character is not just taught but lived, creating a community grounded in empathy, responsibility, and pride. Service-learning connects academics to action, helping students see the impact of kindness and responsibility beyond the classroom. Voorhees' character journey continues to evolve, guided by reflection, innovation, and collaboration.



## 2026 Schools of Character Program Summaries

### Virgil I. Grissom Elementary School

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Grades K-5

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Virgil I. Grissom Elementary School has been State and National School of character for many years. Grissom's journey has been one of steadfast growth and evolution. Many programs have shifted from being teacher-led to student-driven, empowering learners to take ownership of their growth and leadership. This shift has fostered authentic character development and has contributed to Grissom's continued academic and social success. Students consistently demonstrate determination as they strive daily to fulfill the shared mission: to create lifelong learners by embracing different learning styles, creating a safe environment, developing strong character, and creating community awareness.

### Woodmont Elementary School

2026 State and National School of Character  
Grades K-5

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Woodmont's character journey, greatest strengths and driving forces have been a positive "hidden curriculum." The commitment to character education is the foundation of Woodmont's academic success. Woodmont is most proud of the day-to-day rewards received: substitute teachers who frequently say Woodmont is their favorite elementary school to sub in, the number of visitors who say, "Woodmont is so nice. You can feel it when you walk through the door", and the local realtors who say families request buying in the Woodmont zone. Woodmont will always care more about the feelings in the halls than the banners on the walls.



## 2026 Schools of Character Program Summaries

### Woodrow Wilson Middle School

2026 State School of Character

Grades 6-8

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Woodrow Wilson Middle School’s five values truly belong to the students: Choose Kindness, Always Shine Bright, Lead with Integrity, Never Give Up, and Reach for the Stars. These values emerged from student voices and represented the qualities they want to see in themselves and their school. Woodrow Wilson committed to building a community where every student feels seen, valued, supported, and empowered. The shift in culture to restorative, intrinsic motivation, supports educating the whole child at Woodrow Wilson. The students know they have the courage to do what is right, compassion to support others, and the confidence to reach their dreams.



## 2026 National Schools of Character

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