



September: Responsibility

<p>Lesson 1: September 11</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of coach(es) • Introduction of Character Education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ “Doing the right thing, even when no one is looking” ○ A new character trait will be introduced each month and covered by Character Ed Coaches on Wednesday mornings from 8:10-8:30. ○ Monthly Character Ed Assemblies will be led by middle school students • Introduction of first trait (Responsibility), its definition and its opposite (Unreliability) on p.2. • Explain and go over “Key Concepts” (p.3) • Discuss examples of student responsibilities at home and at school; see p. 10 (discuss with teacher which responsibilities s/he would like you to reinforce!) • Biography: Introduce Louisa May Alcott as a historical figure who displayed responsibility (p. 6-7). • Cornerstone Cares: The September school-wide service project is the Big Sweep on 9/21/13. CCA-CFA families will pick up litter from Buffalo Creek in Greensboro. Greensboro Beautiful will be the recipient of the Dollar Jean Day donation in September. Greensboro Beautiful is a volunteer organization which partners with the City and citizens of Greensboro to conserve and enhance the beauty and ecology of our community. Parents need to register on the Sign up Genius to participate. • Challenge students to focus on their responsibilities this week, both at home and at school; remind them to always do their best, even when no one is looking!
<p>Lesson 2: September 18</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review character trait responsibility, its definition, its opposite, and the “Key Concepts.” • Nature: Example of an animal with this trait - a bald eagle (read article on p. 8-9 in booklet or just talk about an eagle and how it demonstrates responsibility). • Cornerstone Cares: Remind students to have their parents sign up to participate in the Big Sweep on 9/21/13. • Game/activity related to Language, the Arts, Math/Computers, Science, Social Studies, or Health/Athletics.(p.10-15) <p>REPLACE THE “RESPONSIBILITY TEACHER’S GUIDE” IN THE GREY FOLDER WITH THE “SELF-CONTROL TEACHER’S GUIDE” FROM THE CHARACTER EDUCATION BINDER IN THE CLASSROOM.</p>
<p>Character Education Assembly: September 25</p>	<p>Middle school students may give the following lessons during the Character Education Assembly:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Object Lesson: Do You Like My Hat? (p.12); Discuss responsibilities of people in various occupations • No Excuses (p.13); Discuss the fact that we are responsible for our words and our actions!

* Please feel free to modify these lessons as you see fit to meet the needs of the students at your grade level. If you find any supplementary materials or activities that you think would be beneficial (books, articles, You Tube clips, anecdotes, etc.), please use them and share ideas with other coaches on our facebook site:
<http://www.facebook.com/CCCharacterFirstCoaches>