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Policy Statement

It is the policy of the Keewatin-Patricia District School Board (KPDSB) to embed universally accepted and Board adopted attributes of good character in all practices of the KPDSB. Character development is a shared responsibility between the home, school, and community. The KPDSB recognizes that character development must be evident at the classroom, school, and system level, and is evident in daily practices.

Rationale

The Keewatin-Patricia District School Board is committed to the academic, social, emotional growth, and character development of all students and staff. components are necessary for student success and are essential in developing responsible and culturally aware citizens.

Definitions

"Universally Accepted" - The KPDSB recognizes that character attributes will differ among and across cultural, ethnical, and spiritual groups based on differing beliefs and values which generally are respected and accepted by everyone.

Cross References

Policies

207, Trustee Code of Conduct

320, Appropriate Dress for Students

321, Safe and Supportive Schools

322, Code of Conduct

329, Progressive Discipline & Promoting a Positive School Climate

332, Accessibility Standards for Customer Service

401, School-Student Activities Outside the Classroom

503, Equity and Inclusive Education

706, Employee Code of Conduct

708, Respectful Working & Learning Environment

Procedure

321, Safe and Supportive Schools

706, Employee Code of Conduct

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"Keewatin-Patricia District School Board Attributes of Good Character" – The KPDSB recognizes the belief system based on Indigenous Teachings through the Generations:

- Honesty ~ Kwayakwaadizowin
- Humility ~ Dabasenimowin
- Love ~ Zaagi'iwin
- Wisdom ~ Kikendamowin

- Respect ~ Kanaadenimowin
- Truth ~ Debwewin
- Bravery ~ Soogenimowin

"Character Development" – The KPDSB recognizes and encourages students and staff to demonstrate and develop their understanding of the attributes of good character.

"Embedded – The KPDSB recognizes that in order for Character Development to permeate everyone at all system levels with the Board, it must be integrated into all that we think, say, and do.

"Culturally Aware Citizens" – are those who accept and respect the diverse cultures that comprise our community.