

Character Counts/DESSA Crosswalk

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Fairness	Play by the rules; Take turns and share; Be open-minded; Listen to others; Don't take advantage of others; Don't blame others carelessly.	13. Seek out additional knowledge or information? 17. Act respectfully in a game or competition? 22. Contribute to group efforts? 24. Act as a leader in a peer group? 25. Resolve a disagreement? 27. Share with others? 31. Cooperate with peers or siblings? 35. Follow the rules? 44. Wait for her/his turn? 56. Accept another choice when his/her first choice was unavailable?	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Caring	Be kind; Be compassionate and show you care; Express gratitude; Forgive others; help people in need.	11. Get along with different types of people? 16. Say good things about his/her classmates? 17. Act respectfully in a game or competition? 18. Ask to take on additional work or responsibilities? 24. Act as a leader in a peer group? 25. Resolve a disagreement? 38. Compliment or congratulate somebody? 40. Do something nice for someone? 45. Show appreciation of others? 55. Express concern for another person? 70. Offer to help somebody? 71. Respond to another person's feelings?	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Citizenship	Do your share to make your school and community better; Cooperate; Get involved in community affairs; stay informed; vote; Be a good neighbor; Obey laws and rules; Respect authority; Protect the environment.	6. Serve an important role at home or school? 13. Seek out additional knowledge or information? 14. Take an active role in learning? 16. Say good things about his/her classmates? 17. Act respectfully in a game or competition? 20. Encourage positive behavior in others? 22. Contribute to group efforts? 23. Do routine tasks or chores without being reminded? 24. Act as a leader in a peer group? 25. Resolve a disagreement? 29. Seek out challenging tasks? 31. Cooperate with peers or siblings? 35. Follow the rules? 43. Pay attention? 47. Greet others in a polite way? 49. Teach another person to do something? 52. Seek advice? 59. Ask somebody for feedback? 63. Give an opinion when asked? 64. Make a suggestion in a polite way? 65. Learn from experience? 70. Offer to help somebody?	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

DESSA Scale Key:

PR-Personal Responsibility OT-Optimistic Thinking GB-Goal-Directed Behavior SO-Social Awareness
 DM-Decision Making RS-Relationship Skills SA-Self-Awareness SM-Self-Management