

ShowMe CHARACTER™

Evidence-Based Character Education Building Community for Healthy Schools

Research and Implementation Projects

ShowMe Character™ The CHARACTERplus® Way Caring School Community™

◆ **The CHARACTERplus Way for Southern Illinois – Madison County Character Education Partnership – Federal Grant Q215S060127 – 2006 - 2010**

U. S. Department of Education funding.

Links character education to student behavior and academic performance.

13 matched, randomly placed districts with 78 public schools in Madison County, Illinois.
Experimental research.

40 treatment and 38 control schools in years one and two.

40 initial treatment and 38 delayed treatment schools in years three and four.

Based on the ShowMe CHARACTER model process, leadership teams in treatment schools receive data-based training integrated with CHARACTERplus Ten Essentials and Caring School Community collaborative structures. All school staff members are trained. Students (grades 4, 8 and 11), staff, and parents are assessed each spring.

◆ **ShowMe Character Baldwin County, Ala., Implementation Project – Federal Grant Q215S040073 – 2004 - 2006**

U. S. Department of Education funding.

Links character education to student behavior and academic performance.

18 schools, stratified by region and school level, randomly placed into first treatment group.
28 remaining school served as controls.

Experimental research.

18 selected schools received treatment during 2005 – 2006.

Leadership teams in treatment schools receive data-based training integrated with CHARACTERplus Ten Essentials and Caring School Community collaborative structures. All school staff members were trained. Students (grades 4, 8 and 11), staff, and parents were assessed each spring.

Click [ShowMe CHARACTER Overview](#) for a more complete description of the process.

Click [Systems Approach to Character Education](#) to view a paper presented at the American Educational Research Association 2004 Annual Conference about the ShowMe Character model.

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◆ The CHARACTER^{plus}® Way for Rockwood, Mo., School District – 2004 - Ongoing

Local school district funding.

19 elementary schools and 4 middle schools in St. Louis metropolitan area

Survey pretest-posttest evaluative research.

Leadership teams in treatment schools receive data-based training integrated with CHARACTER^{plus} Ten Essentials and Caring School Community collaborative structures. All school staff members are trained. Students (grades 3, 4 and 8), staff, and parents are assessed each February.

◆ Caring School Community Implementation Study – Federal Grant R215S020232 – 2002-2006

U. S. Department of Education funding.

Links character education to student behavior and academic performance.

40 randomly selected CHARACTER^{plus} elementary schools in the St. Louis area.

10 schools randomly placed begin treatment each year; remaining schools serve as controls.

Experimental research.

Preliminary findings reported at AERA in 2005. View [Report](#).

Click [CSC Results Summary](#) for four-year results.

Leadership teams in treatment schools receive data-based training integrated with the four components of the Caring School Community program. All school staff members are trained. Students (grades 3 and 4), staff, and parents are assessed each February.

◆ CHARACTER^{plus} Implementation Study – Federal Grant R215V020032 – 2002 - 2006

U. S. Department of Education funding.

Links character education to student behavior and academic performance.

64 randomly selected elementary and secondary schools throughout the State of Missouri.

16 schools randomly placed begin treatment each year; remaining schools serve as controls.

Experimental research.

Preliminary findings reported at AERA in 2005. View [Report](#).

Click [CharacterPlus Results Summary](#) for four-year results.

Leadership teams in treatment schools receive data-based training integrated with CHARACTER^{plus} Ten Essentials. All school staff members are trained. Students (grades 4, 8 and 11), staff, and parents are assessed each February.

◆ Missouri Schools CHARACTER^{plus} Implementation Project – 2001- Ongoing

Funded by the Missouri Legislature.

80 schools initially selected through application.

Over 100 schools have been served; 29 schools have received continuous service.

Survey pretest-posttest evaluative research. Click [Missouri Summary](#) for results.

Leadership teams receive training in the Ten Essentials and are coached on using data for program planning. The leadership teams train school staff members. Students (grades 4, 8 and 11), staff, and parents are assessed each February.

◆ Caring School Community The CHARACTERplus Way - St. Louis – 1999-Ongoing

Local school district funding.
44 schools in the St. Louis metropolitan area.
Survey pretest-posttest evaluative research.
Findings reported at AERA in 2003.
Click [2003 CSC Report](#) for results.

School leadership teams receive data-based training integrated with the four components of the Caring School Community program. Students (grades 3 and 4), staff, and parents are assessed each February.

◆ CHARACTERplus Show Me Pilot Project – Federal Grant R215V970001 – 1997-2001

State and Federal funding.
Two-year pilot in Jennings, Mo., School District.
29 schools in Missouri.
Survey pretest-posttest evaluative research.
Findings reported at AERA in 2003.
Click [2003 CHARACTERplus Report](#) for results.

School leadership teams received training in the Ten Essentials with data provided for program planning. Students (including grades 4, 8 and 11), staff, and parents were assessed initially in September and then in February each subsequent year.



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