

# The Six Elements of Character

## For

### Hill Classical Middle School

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Hill Classical Middle School teachers and staff encourage and expect all students to follow the Hill Classical Middle School Code of Social Responsibility ▲ Be on time. ▲ Be in uniform. ▲ Be respectful. ▲ Be responsible. ▲ Be safe. ▲ Be prepared to learn. We want to help all our students develop into responsible, considerate and honest citizens.

Long Beach Unified School District supports our efforts by expecting all students to develop and practice the skills from The Six Elements of Character.

**Caring** – Be willing to help others. ▲ Control your own behavior, so you do not insult or hurt others ▲ Treat others as you would like to be treated. ▲ Be thankful for what you have and what you have achieved. ▲ Express your gratitude to others. ▲ Forgive others for their mistakes. ▲ Be sensitive to others in what you say and do. ▲ Be sensitive to other’s feelings.

**Civic Virtue** – Treat others as you would like to be treated. ▲ Show respect for the American Flag. ▲ Be a volunteer – help your school and community to be better, cleaner and safer. ▲ Respect authority. ▲ Have good attendance in school.

**Justice & Fairness** – Treat others as you want to be treated. ▲ Accept responsibility for your behavior and academic success. ▲ Be honest, fair and truthful in all that you do and say. ▲ Think of the consequences before you act. ▲ In problem situations, hear both sides of the story.

**Respect** - Treat others as you would want to be treated. ▲ Treat school grounds and school property as if it were your own. ▲ Respect other’s property, as well as, your own. ▲ Respect yourself and others. ▲ Use appropriate language and tone of voice. ▲ Use active listening techniques. ▲ Respect adult authority. ▲ Respect learning time. ▲ Respectfully, take part in class discussions.

**Responsibility** – Treat others as you would want to be treated. ▲ Follow the Hill Classical Middle School Code of Social Responsibility. ▲ Complete homework and other tasks on time. ▲ Take responsibility for you own actions. ▲ Do your best work at all times. ▲ Take care of all materials. ▲ Be reliable. ▲ Do the right thing, even when no one is looking. ▲ Accept the consequences for your actions.

**Trustworthiness** - Treat others as you would want to be treated. ▲ Be honest, fair and truthful in all that you do and say. ▲ Resist temptation to do what you know to be wrong or inappropriate. ▲ Keep promises and commitments that you make. ▲ Do your own work. ▲ Return borrowed items. ▲ Turn in lost items to the office. ▲ Do the right thing even when no one is looking. ▲ Do not take things that belong to others. ▲ Do not cheat in order to be successful.