



# Character First!

## 2018-2019

**Verse of the Year:** Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

*James 1:2-4*

Character Trait	Memory Verse	Definition	I Will...
<b>Punctuality</b> (August/September)	Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. <i>Ephesians 5:15-16 (ESV)</i>	Showing respect for other people and their time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be at the right place at the right time</li> <li>• Plan for unexpected delays</li> <li>• Do my work ahead of time</li> <li>• Make a daily schedule and keep it</li> <li>• Think of the impact on others</li> </ul>
<b>Thoroughness</b> (October)	Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, ... <i>Colossians 3:23</i>	Taking care of details and doing my best	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plan my work</li> <li>• Pay attention to details</li> <li>• Make a list so I don't forget</li> <li>• Finish what I start</li> <li>• Clean up along the way</li> </ul>
<b>Initiative</b> (November/December)	If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn't do it, it is sin for them. <i>James 4:17</i>	Recognizing and doing what needs to be done before I am asked to do it	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do what is right before I am told</li> <li>• Not put off until later what I can do now</li> <li>• Do my part for the team</li> <li>• Be a part of the solution rather than the problem</li> <li>• Look for ways to help others</li> </ul>

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<b>Dependability</b> (January)	Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth. <i>2 Timothy 2:15</i>	Doing what I said I would do, even when it is difficult	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keep my word</li> <li>• Be careful what I promise</li> <li>• Correct my mistakes</li> <li>• Do my fair share</li> <li>• Have a good attitude</li> </ul>
<b>Availability</b> (February)	Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" <i>Isaiah 6:8</i>	Being ready and willing to help	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Put others ahead of myself</li> <li>• Find a way to help, not a way to hide</li> <li>• Be ready when I am called</li> <li>• Be glad for the chance to serve</li> <li>• Get permission before making commitments</li> </ul>
<b>Courage</b> (March)	Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you." <i>Deuteronomy 31:6</i>	Overcoming fear so I can do what is right	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Know the truth</li> <li>• Get help when I am afraid</li> <li>• Do what is right</li> <li>• Be willing to stand alone</li> <li>• Help those who are bullied or abused</li> </ul>
<b>Patience</b> (April)	Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love. <i>Ephesians 4:2</i>	Waiting without getting upset	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wait my turn</li> <li>• Not complain when I don't get my way</li> <li>• Accept what cannot be changed</li> <li>• Use my time wisely</li> <li>• Try and try again</li> </ul>
<b>Review All</b> (May)	Verse of the year: Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, <sup>3</sup> because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. <sup>4</sup> Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything. <i>James 1:2-4</i>	Showing my understanding of all seven character traits and practicing them.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Be an LCA EAGLE!</b></p>