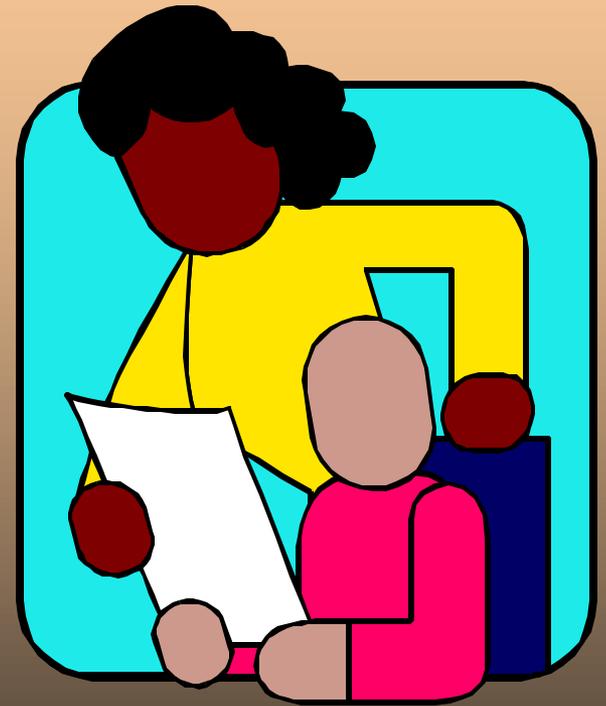


Getting Started

Working with materials from
*Community Voices &
Character Education*



Steps to Take

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3. Create a vision
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Create Local Design Team

- Include all levels of staff
- Include community members
- Include parents
- Include students



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Step One

Take Needs Assessment

- Student perceptions of needs
- Community perceptions of needs
- Climate of classroom & school



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Step Two

Create a Team Vision

- What is the end result we want?
- What is current reality—now?
- What steps do we need to take to get to our desired end result?
- How will know our actions are working?
- What are we learning?

Would another approach
work better?

How do we know
we are on track?



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Step Three

Local Team Integrates Findings (your vision and needs assessments)

- Prioritize needs
- Decide on which skills to emphasize
- Create long-term plan



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Step Four**

Plan Curriculum

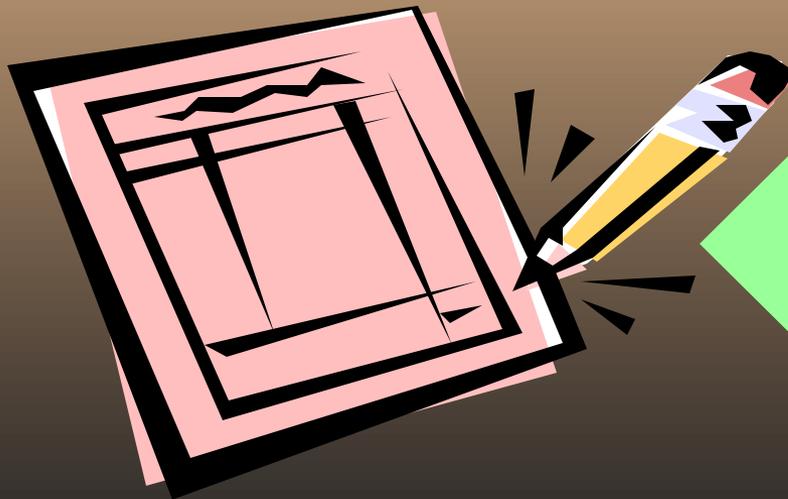
- Implement in every discipline
- Integrate across academic disciplines
- Implement in every aspect of schooling
- Create an action plan for year



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Step Five

Design Lessons

- Use CVCE teacher guidebooks for ideas
 - *Activities, Assessments, Climate*
- Integrate lesson activities with the ways the community expresses its values
- Select student progress measures



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Step Six**

Implement

- Keep track of lesson success
- Have students monitor own success
- Make changes to plans as needed



**Getting Started
Step Seven**

Review Success

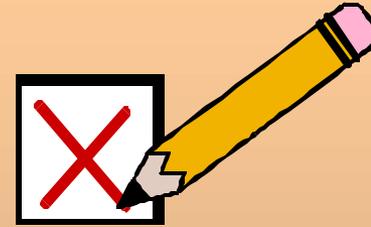
- Survey opinions of all stakeholders
- Assess overall student progress



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Step Eight**

Review of Steps

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Time to Get Started!

- Stay in touch with your CVCE contact
- Stay in touch with other implementors
 - Use the website
<http://cfl.state.mn.us/charactered/>



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