

# CHARACTER AND ETHICS FILM FESTIVAL

## Top Videos May 16, 2018

### 1<sup>st</sup> Place Videos

#### **Elementary School – 1st Place**

**“Pollution”– Highland Ranch Elementary**

**Teacher: Kriscia Cabral**

**Students:** Meadow Cannon, Ellery Housand, Sophie Callahan, and Addison Middleton

This video is about pollution. They explain how to prevent different kinds of pollution and save our world. They decided to make a video about pollution because pollution is easily created and we need you to make a difference. They hope that this video inspires you to stop pollution.

[“Pollution”](#)

#### **Middle School – 1st Place**

**““What Does Character Mean to You?”– Meadowbrook Middle**

**Teacher: Joe Ismay**

**Students:** Camila Monterrosa and Britney Teske

During the making of this video, we have learned so much about character, and how it influences our lives, and others. We learned that character is everywhere, and that showing character can make our world better, one action at a time. Our video has demonstrated the six-character pillar traits: responsibility, fairness, caring, trustworthiness, respect, and citizenship. My group and I enjoyed working together, and we all put in different, clever ideas and effort into this video. My group members, Chelsy and Britney were very cooperative, and they were both amazing actors in this video. Our group hopes that you enjoy our video, and we all just wanted to say, thank you.

[“What Does Character Mean to You?”](#)

#### **High School – 1st Place**

**“Philip Bruce: Character”– Rancho Bernardo High**

**Teacher: Ross Kallen**

**Student:** Nepal Arslan

In modern day society people tend to stereotype and judge others based on appearance and first impressions. This is the story of how one teenager defied the limited expectations of others and overcame his own challenges in order to make his dreams a reality.

[“Philip Bruce: Character”](#)

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### 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Videos

#### **Elementary School – 2nd Place**

**“Mute”– Park Village Elementary**

**Teacher: Kevin Girod**

**Students:** David Jang, Leona Gerdji, Rushika Raghuwanshi, Trevor Atchley, Ian Lai, Zach Martinez, and Elizabeth Hamilton

Mute is a film about a boy that is mistreated by the words and actions of others. These words and actions make him feel alienated and unwelcome. We all have the opportunity to work together to turn bullying into kindness, we just need to be courageous enough to do what we know is right.

[“Mute”](#)

#### **Middle School –2nd Place**

**“Character Counts”–Meadowbrook Middle**

**Teacher: Joseph Ismay**

**Students:** David Hulterstrom, Ilya Shimanskiy, and Blake Shuta

In this video we learned a lot about character, and the traits that are combined within. Our video demonstrates bad character and good character and we would like you all to take in the message we try to share about making the right choices. My group enjoyed working together. Blake was our great cameraman, David was an organized editor and advisor, and Ilya was a great speaker and actor, but in all as a team we cooperated, and everything went along well. Although we did have some struggles and were a bit behind, in the end were able to get back up again to complete the video. Hopefully as you watch our video you will learn as much as we did about how important having good character is to your life.

[“Character Counts”](#)

#### **High School – 2nd Place**

**“Live Life”– Rancho Bernardo High**

**Students:** Toshko Andreev and Agni Herur

The film is about the importance of leaving our electronic devices (phones, tablets, etc.) to focus on the real and important things in life that are missed by our constant distraction with these devices.

[“Live Life”](#)

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### 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Videos

#### **Elementary School – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place**

**“Pay it Forward” – Park Village Elementary**

**Teacher: Kevin Girod**

**Students:** Christian Ochoa, Ismail Bas, Isabella West, Sonya Yasuda, Ellie Kim, Millie Barker, Miles McIver, and Dylan O’Donahue

Pay it Forward is about showing other people kindness even if you may not get rewarded back, The video shows that helping others makes you feel very good. Regardless of how much you have, it is still nice to share with others and show kindness. We hope you enjoy our film!

[“Pay it Forward”](#)

#### **Middle School – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place**

**“A Few Words of Kindness” – Meadowbrook Middle**

**Teacher: Joe Ismay**

**Students:** Zara Khan and Lauren Wilson

The subject of our video was the “young girl” Anne Frank. Anne Frank encourages us to show good character in every circumstance you find yourself in. Many of you have often heard of the name, but we can probably guess that you don’t realize the dream, and nightmare, that she lived through. We hope that this video enlightens you the way it has affected us. With real world events such as student protests and other movements made up of the children of tomorrow, it is always important to remember that one person can truly make a difference. Showing good character starts by having kindness in your heart for other people.

[“A Few Words of Kindness”](#)

#### **High School – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place**

**“The Kander Man” – Rancho Bernardo High**

**Teacher: Ross Kallen**

**Student:** Will Hoxie

According to the CDC, tobacco use causes on average six million deaths annually worldwide, and that number is expected to keep growing up to eight million by the year 2030. *The Kander Man* presents a cautionary fictional tale about a man who advertised cigarettes in the 50s and how his poor decisions affected him and the people around him.

[“The Kander Man”](#)