

CHARACTER AND ETHICS FILM FESTIVAL
Winning Videos, Introductions, and Links
May 13, 2015

Elementary

1st Place

“It’s Your Choice”– Willow Grove Elementary School, Lori Edelstein, and Lauren O’Rielly, 3rd grade teachers.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rY-KaSZIVNc&feature=em-upload_owner

This movie is about doing the right thing even when nobody is watching. People are often tempted to do the wrong thing, but they should listen to their “good thoughts” and do what is right.

2nd Place

“Rumors, Gossip, and Bullying”– Adobe Bluffs Elementary School, Havena Marks, Teacher, 5th Grade

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0qbHmC8vCho&feature=youtu.be>

Students in the class were truly hurt by rumors, gossip, and bullying. It took a lot of communication and getting things out in the open and students follow the Six Steps Problem-solving Model.

3rd Place

“Trustworthiness” – Pomerado Elementary, Alisa Thompson, Video Production Club Advisor

Students: Shin Matsuo & Nolan McCann, 5th grade

Kirsten Newkirk & Elijah Poon, 4th grade

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GKgogIK3DRo&feature=youtu.be>

This is the first year of Pomerado’s Video Production Club, composed of 18 students chosen by their teachers for exemplary citizenship. With great Wildcat pride, Pomerado’s Video Production Club presents “Trustworthiness.”

Honorable Mention

“Don’t Lie – Tierra Bonita Elementary School – Evan Grant, Teacher

Students: Corinne Loosbrock, Nateal Jackson, Melaina Bayerle

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8X2joB84mNnSTg0T2lMV0d5U0U/view?usp=sharing&pli=1>

The student videographers wanted to teach others that lying is something that will affect you or other people in a negative way. It is an important issue that lots of kids and adults deal with every day.

Middle School

1st Place

“Stand Up Like a Super Hero”– Bernardo Heights Middle School, Mika Roether,
Video Club Advisor, ASES

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qq_xODq2GhI

Unfortunately, bullying is an issue that is frequently seen in schools. In “Stand Up Like a Superhero”, the BHMS ASES film crew shows all of us what we can do to help stop this problem.

2nd Place

“Make a Difference”– Mesa Verde Middle School, Marycay Densmore, Teacher

**Students: Leah Wibowo, Olivia Speir, Harmony Teudt, Nicholas Handjojo, &
Zach Van Hufte**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OJ4x0D4Lz5A>

Students who created this video are hopeful that the lessons shown will guide future generations. They couldn't have created the extraordinary video without their wonderful friends and teachers who

supported and inspired them.

3rd Place

“Character Conscious” – Meadowbrook Middle School – Joe Ismay, Teacher

Students: Tyler Boggess, Joes Nicolas and Zain Batta

<https://drive.google.com/folderview?id=0B1z8Z07H5E27Rm1pUXktdURTZms&usp=sharing>

The video was made to help students learn to listen to their conscience and do the right thing. Inspired by the song "Guilty Conscience" by Eminem and Dr. DRE, creating the video was a fun project and is meant to inspire kids to listen to their conscience, especially at school.

High School

1st Place

“Responsibility”– Rancho Bernardo, Ross Kallen, Teacher

Student: Nick Wenger

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kyWJsls9Z48>

Nick shares, “I saw the character pillars as aspects of a person. However, these are not the only traits a person has, which resulted in the idea of portraying a person in the form of a tower made of "character bricks." To actually shoot a tower falling, I used Jenga blocks as the character bricks to build my tower.

2nd Place

“Domino Effect”– Rancho Bernardo High School, Ross Kallen, Teacher

Student: Sabrin Darian and Amelia Cabrera.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wUkyE6pycrU>

This short film was created in Digital Media Production Class, about the effects of change in society and how it only takes one person to spur change. Starting with Amelia’s idea, both students began brainstorming ideas and explain, “It was fun filming and watching it come together.” Our only challenges were the tediousness of stacking the dominos for each shot and learning new technique's during editing. We are very proud of our final product.

3rd Place

“Puppy Love” – Poway High School, Robert Kaechele, teacher

Students: Torre Brown, Mac Clay, Maddelyn Zack, & Jon Browne

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TYDCIF-hfo8>

It is a video to show how some teens feel about their relationships and how it affects them. The student wishes that her parents understood what she went through in her "puppy love" relationship!