

Kids with Character

Because every child is unique, with special talents, interests and qualities, it's nearly impossible to come up with one standard definition of a Kid With Character.

It's much easier to use examples. For instance, when talking about Dylan Cook, you'll notice he's an excellent student who takes great pride in his work at Longfellow Middle School in Lorain. And like other Kids With Character, Dylan has a variety of interests, including the Robotics Club, his duties as a peer mediator and his involvement in the school's TV studio.

"He's a leader on the news crew," said Deb Olle, a school counselor at Longfellow. "Dylan even helped show the news when the teacher was out ill."

The eighth-grader's interest in the studio went a step further when he helped write a grant to purchase some much-needed equipment. "And during Bullying Prevention Week, he helped students tape a skit and a rap, and it was done on his own time, during his lunch," Olle said.

"He truly stands out in the minds of the LMS staff." Now if we could just get him to help us come up with a definition ... but he's probably too busy helping other people.



Dylan

This recognition showcases students who have made a difference by accepting responsibility, showing kindness, valuing others' concerns, helping resolve conflicts and honoring their commitments.



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