



## **Has your school, district, or organization created a successful, specific, and unique character education practice?**

CEP's 2012 Promising Practice program will begin accepting applications in early 2012.

### **What types of practices qualify for a Promising Practice?**

CEP looks for a wide variety of practices that successfully promote character education among youth, and we recognize them annually as Promising Practices. The practices cover many different areas and activities, including unique service learning projects, academic practices, new anti-bullying practices, character assemblies, innovative buddy programs, and many, many others. We do not recognize entire school-wide character education programs, practices emphasizing extrinsic rewards or the singling out of students for recognition for good behavior, or many copyrighted, trademarked, or patented programs. We are looking for unique, specific practices that have been created by you, tried out by you, and succeeded with your students. Send them to us!

### **What must I do in order to apply?**

Complete an online application, which will be available on the CEP website, [www.character.org](http://www.character.org), starting in January 2012. You will be asked to provide contact information; school, district, or organizational information (including demographics, population numbers, etc.) as well as a one-sentence explanation of the specific practice. You will also be required to upload a photo of your specific practice in action. Finally, you will be asked to write four different, unique responses regarding the following areas:

- **Provide one paragraph explaining how the practice works** (*1200 characters maximum, including spaces*)
- **Explain in more detail what the practice is and how you have implemented it in your school, district, or group** (*1800 characters maximum, including spaces*)
- **Explain how this specific practice contributes to character development** (*1200 characters maximum, including spaces*)
- **Explain the impact that this specific practice is having on youth, your students, or your district** (*1200 characters maximum, including spaces*).

### **Plan now to apply!**

Keep checking the Character Education Partnership website at [www.character.org](http://www.character.org) in early 2012 for an announcement that the 2012 Promising Practices program is open! Questions? Please contact Lisa Greeves, Manager of the Promising Practices program, at [lgreeves@character.org](mailto:lgreeves@character.org).

**We look forward to seeing your application!**