



# **Character Development**

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# Methodology

**Research Question:** How does students' character develop?

**Character Growth Index** (Liston, 2012)

- 88 items across four-character dimensions: respect, responsibility, caring, and motivation.

## Interviews

- 27 participants: 18 students and 9 staff members who had worked at the school for at least 5 years.



# Character Development Themes

## Models

Family

Peers

Teachers

Media

## Curriculum

Content

Pedagogy

Advisory

Service Learning

## Agency

Academics

Sports/Clubs

Music

Socializing

## Consequences

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**Character** is an aspect of the nature of a person, **character development** consists of the psychological processes that bring about the growth of character, and **character education** is the intentional nurturing of those developmental processes through the practices of families, schools, and other contexts.” - Marvin Berkowitz



# THANKS!

## Any questions?

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