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# Character Connections

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## APS Character Education and Energy Efficiency Poster Contest



### Purpose

To provide an opportunity through art for young people to creatively present their ideas about good character and using energy wisely and safely

### Eligibility

- Open to all students in grades K-12 in Arizona public schools
- A maximum of five (5) posters per grade level per school
- Posters will be grouped in four grade categories - Kindergarten through 2nd; 3rd through 5th; 6th through 8th; and 9th through 12<sup>th</sup>

### Prizes

First, second and third place winners in each category will receive a gift certificate to a local bookstore; \$50 for first place; \$25 for second place; and \$15 for third place.

**Entries due October 16, 2009.**

**For more information, contest rules and instructions on how to enter, visit:**

[http://www.aps.com/my\\_community/EducationTools/educationtools\\_5.html](http://www.aps.com/my_community/EducationTools/educationtools_5.html) to download and print the Entry Form.

**Questions?** Need more information? Contact Louise Moskowitz at (602) 250-2291 or at [Louise.Moskowitz@aps.com](mailto:Louise.Moskowitz@aps.com)

***"It's not our abilities that show what we truly are, it is our choices."***

Dumbledore in *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets* (2002)

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What is a **Promising Practice in Character Education**? It's a method, a lesson, an activity, a program... It's what schools are using to develop great character in students! Show your school pride and share what you're doing to develop great character in kids by applying for a Promising Practice in Character Education Award. Click [HERE](#) for application and to view previous awardees! Awarded schools receive \$100, a certificate of recognition from ADE and posting of their project on the ADE website. Due November 27th.



Show your support for good character in Arizona by purchasing a Character Education License Plate. \$17 of each \$25 plate provides Arizona schools and organizations with character education instruction and materials at no cost.

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