

Grand Canyon University's **Canyon Center for Character Education (CCCE)** Presents:

FOSTERING THRIVING SCHOOLS AND STUDENTS SUMMIT SERIES

Join the CCCE and a team of experienced speakers to engage in learning experiences related to character education. Collaborate, network, learn and leave with an action plan for implementing or elevating character education in your school community.



FUTURE SESSIONS

Attendees are strongly encouraged to attend **ALL sessions**

- Friday, July 12 and Saturday, July 13, 2024
- Friday, Sept. 27 and Saturday, Sept. 28, 2024
- Friday, Jan. 24 and Saturday, Jan. 25, 2025
- Friday, March 28 and Saturday, March 29, 2025

REGISTRATION FEES

\$100 per ticket

Note: Must bring a team of two or more individuals.

Register by May 1, 2024 and receive **25% off** with code **EarlyBird**.

A select number of scholarships will be offered to cover registration costs.

If you are interested, inquire at CharacterEducation@gcu.edu.



REGISTER HERE

Please download the Sched event app to register and gain access to all Summit information – parking, agenda, session details, etc. This no-cost app can be found on the Apple App Store and Google Play!

“CHARACTER EDUCATION IS WHAT STUDENTS REMEMBER, THAT’S WHAT THEY MISS. THAT’S WHAT THEY WISH THEY WOULD HAVE EXPERIENCED IN THE REST OF THEIR EDUCATIONAL JOURNEY. SOMETIMES IMPACT IS MORE THAN JUST A TEST SCORE. IT’S THAT LONG-TERM EFFECT ON HUMAN BEINGS AND THEIR EXPERIENCES.”

Dr. Julie Frugo, CEO and Head of School, Premier Charter Schools

SUMMIT DETAILS

- 8 am – 4 pm daily
- Located on GCU campus – Building 71, First Floor
- Daily breakfast and lunch included
- **Lodging and transportation are attendee's responsibility**
- Business casual attire
- Opportunities to network and collaborate
- Planning time integrated into sessions

“PRIOR TO DOING CHARACTER EDUCATION IN OUR SCHOOL, OUR ACADEMICS WERE AVERAGE. WE HAD 338 DISCIPLINE REFERRALS IN ONE K-2 SCHOOL. ONCE WE FULLY IMPLEMENTED CHARACTER EDUCATION, THAT YEAR, WE HAD 55. THAT’S QUITE A HUGE DECREASE. OUR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT ALSO WENT UP, AS WELL AS OUR ATTENDANCE. OUR TEACHER RETENTION IS PRETTY MUCH 100%.”

Dr. Denise Funston, Principal, Windsor Elementary School

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What do I need to bring?

Your team. The individuals you bring are up to your school's preference and may include the administration team, leadership team, team leaders, those involved in the school's character implementation or other educators at your school. You should also bring your school's mission and vision statements.

Can individuals attend, or does it have to be a team?

It has to be a school team, but that may consist of only two individuals or more.

Who should attend?

School leaders must attend with their leadership teams and/or educators interested in character education.

Do we have to attend every session?

Attendees are strongly encouraged to attend all eight sessions and all dates. Content at each summit is sequential and builds upon the last session.

Will this be beneficial to my school?

Research shows the implementation of character education can improve academics, enhance attendance, decrease discipline occurrences and improve teacher satisfaction.¹ Please reference [The Real Impact of Character Education](#) for more information.



What will I receive?

Your team will receive professional development hours, networking and planning time and certificates for attending. Additional materials may also be provided upon applicability.



For more thoughts on the importance of character education and to hear from school leaders, scan the QR code to watch the CCCE's “Tips for a Thriving School Culture” video.



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¹ Berkowitz, M. and Bier, M. 2007. *What Works In Character Education*. Retrieved March 4, 2024.

Jeynes, W. December 28, 2017. *A Meta-Analysis on the Relationship Between Character Education and Student Achievement and Behavioral Outcomes*. Retrieved March 4, 2024.

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