

Cielo School's character education program is affectionately called *Firebird Pride!* It is our purpose to use a variety of positive behavior supports within this program to teach, promote, recognize, and reward the demonstration of positive behaviors. The components of the program are:

1. Teaching of our six pillars within the classrooms: Cooperation, respect, kindness, responsibility, safety, and integrity.
2. Firebird of the Week: Classroom award given to a student or students in each classroom who demonstrates particularly positive character traits that week. Names of recipients are put on a Firebird cut out and placed on the grade level "Firebird Pride" wall.
3. Firebird Café: Periodic lunchtime event with the principals and a special guest that invites students whose names have been picked from a drawing. To be eligible for the drawing, kids earn tickets given by adults at school for demonstrating positive character traits. Staff are encouraged to give out tickets regularly to acknowledge many examples of positive behavior. The more tickets a child earns, the better chance he or she has for his or her name to be drawn. Participants at the café have a photo taken and posted on the "Do the Right Thing" board in the hallway behind the office.
4. Proud Principal Award: Certificate given by the principal at the suggestion of the teachers who want to reward any particular academic or social excellence or improvement. Names of these recipients are listed in the Firebird Focus newsletter.
5. Periodic Assemblies or Presentations: Whole school or classroom programs that advance our character education themes and concepts.

Costs associated with this program are funded by PTO and tax credit contributions. Staff participation, PTO assistance, and parent support of this program are vital to the success of it. Thanks for helping us to teach our kids to "do the right thing!"