



**Expect Respect Character Trait:
Cooperation**

Focus for May: Mental Health Awareness

HOME CONNECTION

Cooperation within the Family	<p>Your family is the most important 'team' that you will ever work with. Review the following list with your child to promote cooperation within the family. To be successful everyone in the family needs to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • respect each other • respect each other's space and belongings • listen to each other • do chores at the right time and willingly • learn how to work out problems without fighting each other • communicate well so that everyone knows what is happening • spend time together as a family • celebrate each other's successes and support each other through the sad times • learn to share
Family Teamwork	<p>Teamwork in the home can instill cooperation. Activities like playing games together in teams, cleaning up together to beat a timer, or simply building puzzles together enables children to learn how to work together.</p>
Model Cooperation	<p>Share responsibilities from an early age. Demonstrate how to work together with others to reach a common purpose – even if that purpose is setting the table for dinner. Sharing age-appropriate responsibilities enables children to learn how we work together to reach a goal.</p>

