

justice

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Justice is the principle or ideal of just dealing or right action.

Justice is taking personal responsibility to uphold what is pure, right, and true.

Trying to decide what is right and what is wrong is not an easy thing to do. Life presents challenges in which situations can be hard to determine right from wrong based on the circumstances. Therefore, many people give up and just simply say "do whatever you'd like" or "I quit" or "It doesn't matter".

Becoming fed up or frustrated with a situation is not the answer. Instead hold on to justice and

uphold what is pure, right, and true.

Justice is realized only as men, women, and children make just decisions and live legally upright lives. Justice is the fruit of the beliefs and actions of individuals.

Justice is any expression of personal responsibility to uphold integrity.

Justice includes impartiality and fair representation of the facts using sound reasoning. The first hall of justice is not the courtroom, but the conscience.

"Justice is truth in action."

(Joseph Joubert)

"Nothing that lacks justice can be morally right."

(Cicero)

"Justice without wisdom is impossible."

(J. A. Froude)

Thank you for making Family Character Fair at the Zoo a Success!

On Saturday April 23rd the Topeka City of Character hosted Family Character Fair at the Zoo. What a fun and full day for families to enjoy. We had 1690 people in attendance. Over 600 Achieving True Success: How to Build Character in the Family, books were given away. We gave away several prizes for youth and adults throughout the day. Because of the generosity of our sponsors we were able to provide zoo admittance to several low or no income families as well as provide zoo tickets to the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program. Thanks again to all of you who helped make this a wonderful family event for Topeka.

Grand Prize Winners

from Family Character Fair at the Zoo

Winner of Overnight Stay for 4 at Great Wolf Lodge with water park passes

Carrie Clark of Topeka

Winner of Compaq Presario Computer with tower, monitor, keyboard and speakers

Linda Wagner of Topeka

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vs. corruption

Justice uses equitable processes to apply moral principles in everyday life, even when circumstances make these procedures inconvenient. Measure your everyday responses by what is true and right.

Justice is:

- Respecting the authority of the law
- Speaking out for what is pure, right, and true
- Never prejudging others
- Always remaining open to reason
 - Keeping your own conscience clear

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From the coordinator

Usually when we are talking about justice, it is in context to the law, but justice is about more than the law, justice is a way of life. Justice is not the decision of the courts, it is not the construction of legislatures, but rather the respectable living of people in their daily lives.

Justice is the concept of fair and moral treatment of everyone. Justice is the use of equitable processes to apply moral principles in everyday life. Measure your everyday responses by what is true and right.

Justice is not just about punishment and correction of wrongdoing. Justice is first and foremost about living with a good conscience.

Each of us has the opportunity to accept the reality of right and wrong and make the commitment to live by what is right.

Dawn Wright
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Coordinator

How can you get involved in the Character Initiative in Topeka?

**Demonstrate Good Character.*

**Praise Good Character when it is demonstrated by others.*

**Invite a Topeka City of Character Representative or trainer to your business or organization.*

**Make a financial contribution to help expand the work of Topeka City of Character.*

Call Topeka City of Character to find out how your business can sponsor one of the character qualities of the month.

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Good Character is the key to success!