

**Please join us in celebrating...**  
**Zwink Elementary is a National School of Character!**



We are tremendously honored to announce that Zwink Elementary has been named a National School of Character for 2015 by Character.org. Since the inception of Schools of Character in 1998 only 312 schools and 21 districts across the nation have been recognized with this prestigious designation. We are the only elementary school across the whole state of Texas to be named a National School of Character this year—we are so proud!

“Each of the schools and districts designated as 2015 National School of Character has done a tremendous job linking ‘smart and good’ programs to so many youth; enriching students’ lives across the USA,” said Becky Sipos, Character.org’s President & CEO. “Being designated a National School of Character recognizes the hard work that these schools put in to developing strong character education programs. They have created caring school climates and prepare students to be future leaders who care about their communities. We are very proud of all of this year’s honorees.”

Since being named a National School of Character Finalist in March, Zwink underwent an intensive screening process that included a full-day site visit to our school by the national team and an analysis of the impact of our character-related efforts had on academics, student behavior, and school culture as part of the consideration to be named a National School of Character.

This prestigious recognition honors Zwink’s **collaborative community** of educators, students, and parents and their efforts to build a positive school culture that exemplifies Zwink’s Core Values. Zwink will be honored along with the other newly designated schools and districts at the 22<sup>nd</sup> National Forum on Character Education in October in Atlanta, Georgia.

**We are so proud of our amazing Zwink zebras! 😊 Thank you for your continuous support!**