How Not to Teach Values: A Critical Look at Character Education (*)
between product and process. When we argue about which traits to emphasize — compassion or loyalty, cooperation or ... Even if you like the sort of virtues that appear in character education programs, and even if you regard the need to

Were you to stand somewhere in the continental United States and announce, "I'm going to Hawaii," it would be understood ... you would probably be talking about one specific island in the chain – namely, the big one to your southeast. The word

Rather than employ literature to indoctrinate or induce mere conformity, we can use it to spur reflection. Whether the ... are impressed again and again by the levels of meaning students prove capable of exploring and the moral growth they

If Kohlberg can fairly be criticized, it is for emphasizing moral reasoning, a cognitive process, to the extent that he ... isn't sufficiently "binding or absolute" (Kilpatrick). The objection to constructivism is not that empathy is eclipsed

A charter school near Boston has been established specifically to offer an intensive, homegrown character education ... themselves are "not open to debate," the headmaster insists, since moral precepts in his view enjoy the same status as

Or take another example: all of us may say we endorse the idea of "cooperation," but what do we make of the practice of ... than individual competition. (Indeed, we might regard a "We're Number One!" ethic as a reason for schools to undertake

It may seem odd even to inquire about someone's reasons for trying to improve children's character. But it is worth ... agenda. Character education based on "acculturating students to conventional norms of 'good' behavior … resonates with

were taken very seriously by some of the same people who are quick to dismiss other educational programs, such as those intended to promote self-esteem, as silly and ineffective.

Towards a new educational vision. Transforming schools, transforming society : america's need for a full spectrum of character education : a report of the President's Commission on Department of Justice, Education, and Health Underwriting the American Character.


Punished by Rewards: The Trouble with Gold Stars, Incentive Plans, A's, Praise, and Other Bribes

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9. For example, Kilpatrick was selected in 1995 to keynote the first in a series of summer institutes on character education sponsored by Thomas Lickona.

60, 1996, p. 136. As part of "educational reconstruction," he goes on to say, we must "connect the lower social classes to the middle classes who may provide role models for self-discipline" (p. 139).

counts!" Coalition offers a framework of six core character traits and then asserts that "young people should be ... in which character-related concepts are described and then students are drilled until they can produce the right answers.

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 vol. 5 and 2 [New York: Academic Press, 1978 and 1979] – a generalized inclination to care, share, and help across ... and with different people, including those we don't know, don't like, and don't look like. Loyally lending a hand

physically fit requires us to turn schools into Marine boot camps.


