Character Strength	Key Indicators	Supporting Language
Grit	 Perseverance and passion for long-term goals. Starting and finishing goals. Trying hard even after experiencing setbacks. Works independently with focus. 	Adaptability, diligence, determination, resolve, effort, endurance, work-ethic, follow-through
Self-control	 Having willpower and self-discipline to manage oneself. Resists distractions. Handles own emotions and inhibits impulses. Delays gratification. Plans ahead for short and long term goals. 	<i>Performance</i> : Self-discipline, self-regulation, organization, preparedness, responsibly, self-direction
		<i>Moral/interpersonal</i> : respect, thrift, moderation, patience, trustworthiness, humility, civility, cooperation, honesty
Empathy	 Showing compassion, kindness, friendliness, and caring. Understanding, sensitivity, and demonstrating respect for the feelings of others. Adapting to different social situations. Finding solutions during conflict with others. 	Social/emotional intelligence, compassion, cooperation, generosity, friendliness, kindness, understanding, mercy, social awareness, sensitivity, courtesy, humanity, caring
Optimism	 Having a positive attitude. Establishing a growth mindset. Willingness to adapt to circumstances. Making the best of circumstances. Willing to try new things. 	Positive-attitude, hope, growth mindset, cheerful, confidence, assurance, "looking on the bright side", adapting
Zest	 Quality of actively participating. The ability to motivate others. Displaying passion and enthusiasm for what you learn and what you do. Showing humor and fun in learning and life. 	Eagerness, enthusiasm, humor, vitality, energizing, spirit, zeal, passion, ambition, leadership, purpose, motivation, participation, courage, bravery, empowerment, lively, vigor
Curiosity	 Having a desire to investigate and learn. Eager to learn and explore new things. Asks and answers questions to deepen understanding. Thirst for knowledge. 	Critical thinking, desire, thirst, drive innovative, creativity, imagination, resourcefulness, wisdom, knowledge