



Program Overview & Learning Objectives

Assembly Title: *The Character Show*

Grades: K–6

Presenter: Obediah Thomas

Program Length: Approx. 45 minutes

Region: Available to schools in Southern California

Program Overview:

The Character Show is a lively and motivational assembly that brings character education to life through humor, storytelling, and student involvement. Performed by veteran school presenter Obediah Thomas, this program draws inspiration from the Six Pillars of Character® as defined by the Josephson Institute: **Respect, Responsibility, Trustworthiness, Caring, Fairness, and Citizenship.**

With dynamic on-stage participation and a running comedic thread featuring phone calls to his fictional (but very wise) mom, Obediah models key character traits in a fun and accessible way. Students are not only entertained—they're empowered to reflect on their own behavior and choices. This program is an excellent fit for launching a school-wide focus on behavior and manners, and it aligns well with Red Ribbon Week, character campaigns, and PBIS goals.

Learning Objectives:

By the end of the assembly, students will be able to:

- Define and recognize the Six Pillars of Character: Respect, Responsibility, Trustworthiness, Caring, Fairness, and Citizenship.
- Identify behaviors that demonstrate strong personal character in daily school life.
- Understand the importance of making good choices—even when no one is watching.
- Recognize how their actions affect others and how to contribute to a more respectful, fair, and kind school environment.
- Reflect on how personal responsibility and good manners help create a positive school culture.

Follow-Up Suggestions:

Schools are encouraged to continue the momentum with character-based classroom activities, behavior tracking incentives, and student recognition programs tied to the Six Pillars of Character.