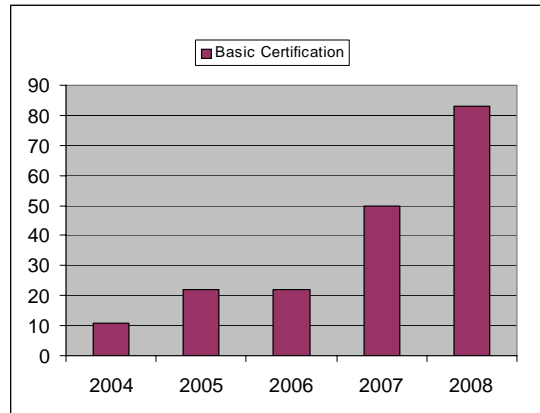


Certification in Character Education

In partnership with the University of Missouri-St. Louis' Center for Character and Citizenship, CHARACTER*plus* introduced a Basic and Advanced Certification process in 2004. The goal of certification is to provide consistency in understanding the components of the CHARACTER*plus* process, the dynamics of character and moral development, and the research-proven methods that make it come alive within schools.

The number of professionals earning Basic Certification more than doubled from 2006 to 2007 and increased 66% in 2008.



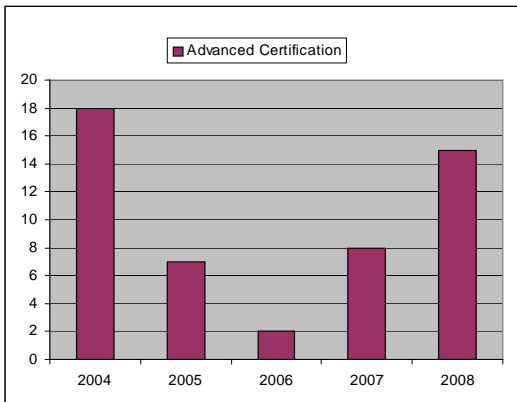
Three daylong courses are required for Basic Certification (see next page). The courses are free to CHARACTER*plus* members and held several times during the year.

2004-2008

Basic Certification 195
Adv. Certification 51

Basic Certification courses are open to administrators, faculty, support staff, board members, community partners, and parents.

Heather Buettner (Lindbergh) is the first parent to earn Basic Certification.



Advanced Certification, designed for administrators, showed a 46% increase as 15 professionals qualified in 2008. Advanced Certification requires completion of

- Ten Essentials of the CHARACTER*plus* Process
- Leadership Academy in Character Education (yearlong academy)

The schedule for 2008-2009 follows on the next page.

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Schedule of Certification Courses • 2008-2009

Each required course is scheduled multiple times during the year.

• Requirements for Basic Certification

1. Ten Essentials of the Characterplus Process

Select one of these sessions:

Tuesday, September 16, 2008 • 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 30, 2008 • 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Monday, March 30, 2009 • 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

2. Character Development & Education

Thursday, November 20, 2008 • 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Monday, December 8, 2008 • 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

3. Effective Methods in Character Education

Thursday, January 8, 2009 • 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 22, 2009 • 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

• Alternative Sequence for Basic Certification

1. Ten Essentials of the Characterplus Process

See sessions above.

2. Five-Day Summer Institute in Character Education

with Dr. M. Berkowitz • Dates to be announced for summer 2009

• Advanced Certification

1. Ten Essentials of the Characterplus Process

See sessions above.

2. Graduation from the Leadership Academy

in Character Education • starts in January 2009; meets monthly

Please apply well in advance. Principals and Assistant

Principals accepted first. Application at

www.characterplus.org/Files/Characterplusleadershipapp8-07.pdf

• For more information, locations and directions go to “Calendar of Events”
at www.characterplus.org

• For the Sanford N. McDonnell **Leadership Academy** in Character Education,
go to <http://www.characterplus.org/page.asp?page=185>

• **To register**, please contact Brenda Kirchoff • 314.692.9736 or BKirchoff@csd.org
Confirmations will be mailed to your school address.