

Got Integrity?

The university's purpose statement is to develop leaders of character dedicated to serving the greater good. This is defined by six core values which are: Excellence, Integrity, Leadership, Loyalty, Respect, and Selfless Service. At first glance it may appear the core values are for students when in reality the core values are for students, and faculty, and staff.

Integrity is doing the right thing when no one is looking. The formal definition as defined by Merriam-Webster is firm adherence to a code of especially moral or artistic values; an unimpaired condition; and the quality or state of being complete or undivided. Integrity is about conducting yourself in the highest manner not only at TAMUG but in your community. As faculty, and staff, and students it does matter how you conduct yourself not just privately but publicly.

Students- do you have integrity of the highest caliber whether attending a lecture or taking an exam?

Faculty- in the classroom, office hours, and your community do you conduct yourself in a manner that is honest, accountable, transparent, respectful and trusting?

Staff- in your workplace and in your community, are you honest and ethical in conduct and performance of job duties?

Do you have integrity? Do you go out of your way to help someone out, or just do the bare minimum? Life is coming at each of us at full-force whether prepared or not. Take the time to get to know those around you. Be kind to each other, you never know what the other person is dealing with that day. With Thanksgiving less than a week away, take time to reflect on what you are thankful for not just at TAMUG but in your home life.

So ask yourself, what are you thankful for?

Next weeks' focus will be Leadership.