

## **What are the characteristics of a Tiger?**

In the Chinese zodiac, those born in the year of the Tiger are said to be vivid, lively and engaging. Another attribute of the Tiger is his incredible bravery, evidenced in his willingness to engage in battle or his undying courage. Generally, because of their charming personalities Tigers are well liked. Like all felines, Tigers always land on their feet, ready for their next act in life, pursuing it with unyielding energy and hunting it infallibly. Natural leaders, they have a strong sense of their own dignity. Tigers are intelligent, alert, and farsighted. The best attributes of Tigers are courage, self-reliance, friendliness, helpfulness, and resilience.

We can make a connection with students and these qualities in terms of how we approach learning in and out of school.

## **What is a Mendham Township Tiger?**

- A learner who is brave enough to take responsible risks. To know what they don't know and go in search of new understandings in a vigorous manner.
- When a Tiger meets resistance, s/he has the courage to engage the challenge with vigor and persist until the challenge has been overcome.
- A Tiger keeps in mind their responsibilities to others in the learning environment.
- A Tiger is always ready for the next challenge.
- A Tiger is a dignified leader. They understand that they are dignified individuals and recognize the dignity in others.
- Intelligent, alert and farsighted Tigers have the big picture in mind. They understand that their possibilities are endless and the true purpose for learning is to become more knowledgeable, in order to make better decisions to lead a dignified life.

*When in the process of education, children and adults alike embody these characteristics and are said to have the "Eye of the Tiger".*



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