

We All Start Somewhere



“Talent sets the floor, character sets the ceiling.” – Bill Belichick

As a society, we tend to put far too much emphasis on natural talent. We watch great athletes, or listen to world-class singers and marvel at their gifts, but sometimes fail to recognize or discount the work it takes for those individuals to excel. Of course, talent matters. But, your talent level is only your starting point.

Your talent tells you the minimum amount you should achieve. Some people start with a higher floor (more talent) than others, but relying on talent never takes us higher than the floor. To realize our full potential, to maximize that talent, requires character. Your work ethic, your passion, your diligence, your ability to work with others, your character, determines how far you will take that talent.

We all start somewhere, and there's only so much we can do about that starting point. But, where we finish is determined by our character. "Talent sets the floor, character sets the ceiling."

Learn more about character education.