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School

How do you and your school community promote a sense of belongingness?

We hold bi-monthly ALL SCHOOL MEETINGS. Our school gets together and watches various classes share what they are learning. We call them INFORMANCES. At the end of the ASMs, we sing the school song, "OUR SCHOOL'S A RAINBOW." Every child links arms and sway to the song.

We also mapped out a safe person for every student. They identified a trusted adult, and that is the person they can turn to when they feel the need to connect with someone they trust.



What do you value most about your staff?

My staff views their responsibilities that does not end at 4:00 PM. When a child is in crisis beyond the school day, they spring into action. When families are hungry on the weekend, they are there with groceries. When students are competing in sporting events, they are there to cheer.

How does your school community help you to be a better principal?

My teachers are appreciative of my efforts, and their love fuels me to improve.

What are you most proud of and what are you striving to do better?

I am most proud of my beautiful students. Their smiles, laughter, and joy make me want to come to work everyday! I am most proud of the trust families have bestowed upon us with their most precious commodities!