

# Initiative Kick-Off

September 24, 2009

## Legacy Statements

“I would like to be remembered for...”

### Mentors

- Providing consistent support
- The passion I have for SEL
- A foundation of support (group, not just one go-to person)
- Belief that everyone can improve as a person through SEL
- Supporting colleagues and students when they are and are not meeting their goals/successes
- Walking the talk
- Doing what is right for the students
- Initiative with substance
- Started new traditions
- Didn't waste others time
- Being present and mindful
- Being available, approachable and accessible
- Trustworthy, honest and safe
- I always called you by 'your' name

### Superintendents

- Led change that benefitted students
- Made a positive impact / made a difference
- Challenged system enough to help it grow
- Fair - willing to listen
- Listened / understood multiple perspectives
- Decisions we made were made in the best interest of the students
- Want the students to want to introduce their sons and daughters to me
- Want the impact of what I do to be positive into future

## **Legacy Statements continued**

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### **Principals**

- Improved the climate and culture of the school community (toxic to healthy)
- Building strong relationships that last
- Sustainable change (embedded in culture, not “person” dependent)
- Not just “managing” a school but leading with hands, head and heart
- Trust and building leaders around us → shared leadership
- Leadership without ego
- Making everyone we come in contact with feel important and valued
- Prioritize people over tasks/process
- Strong sense of school community (School spirit!, Pride!)

### **Teachers**

- Eliminated negativity
- Teachers shared positive moments at Team Meetings
- Students shared successes in advisory
- Building relationships
- Joy
- Encouraged listening
- Embraced change that moved us forward
- Reflection
- Collaboration
- Compassion
- Passion for teaching
- Love of children