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**I believe in creating a safe and healthy learning environment…**

* where students feel comfortable, develop understanding, and learn new perspectives while becoming responsible individuals.
* that encourages mutual respect between teacher, students, and peers.
* by having students know that they can take chances and make mistakes without fear.
* with a positive classroom view of community that each student enjoys being a part of, and where all opinions are celebrated.
* where all students are respected, encouraged, and valued.

**I believe in encouraging students to embrace a higher level of thinking…**

* by incorporating creative and innovative lessons and assignments that help students work towards striving for their highest potential.
* where students will be able to master a concept by developing and using the perseverance to work through difficult problems and find solutions.
* to help students learn how to be critical thinkers and be accountable for their decisions.
* that has students feel a sense of accomplishment in their work through achieving success.

**I believe in embracing students’ individual differences within the classroom…**

* by celebrating each student’s unique gifts and diversity that strengthen the classroom community.
* including creating meaningful and differentiated lessons to meet all students’ needs.
* by building relationships, establishing trust and respect, and in knowing how to best serve each student.
* with forming positive relationships that encourage participation in learning and create beneficial learning experiences.

**I believe in creating innovative and engaging lessons that will inspire students…**

* to become enthusiastic, motivated and responsible lifelong learners.
* by using technology within lessons to learn in a new and exciting manner.
* using their collaboration to have students’ feel involved and engaged.
* by connecting material to students’ everyday lives and using concepts that students will find relevant to their learning.