



Belongingness

To help students experience the greatest success possible, focus on creating and nurturing a strong sense of togetherness.

- Classroom environment is positive, warm, safe, and inclusive.
- Space set aside for displaying student work.
- Open wall-space reserved for anchor charts and other student/learning focused materials.
- Gathering spaces are large enough to include all comfortably.

- Labeled materials and spaces promote success and independent problem-solving.
- Books in library represent the students.
- Classroom is organized, bright, and neat.
- Materials and spaces are physically accessible and usable by all students.
- Students have a space reserved specifically for themselves and their materials.



Esteem

All students have a psychological need of esteem - knowing that they contribute good to the community and are able to make valuable contributions.



Engagement

Academic achievement improves when students are inquisitive, motivated, passionate, and inspired.

- Students have a variety of work spaces for collaborating, working independently, and creative thinking.
- Classroom space allows for developmentally appropriate movement, interaction, and autonomy.
- Hands-on materials/manipulatives are accessible for students.
- There is a quiet space for students to validate introverts, reflection, and introspection.