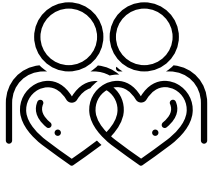


CREATING AN OPTIMAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

EXAMPLES OF REINFORCING LANGUAGE



Belongingness

- ____, Your classroom environment is positive, warm, safe, and inclusive.
- ____, The space set aside for displaying student work nurtures a strong sense of togetherness!
- ____, The open wall-space reserved for student-focused materials highlights this is truly a community of learners!
- ____, The gathering spaces are welcoming and will include all comfortably.

- ____, The labeled materials throughout the room will support students in navigating the space successfully!
- ____, It is clear that you have spent time choosing the books in library so they represent the students you'll have this year!
- ____, This space is organized, bright, and neat and will help students feel like a valuable member of the learning community.
- ____, The materials are physically accessible and usable by all students!
- ____, Students will feel valued and safe having a designated space for their personal materials.



Esteem

- ____, Wow! Students have a variety of work spaces for collaborating, working independently, and creative thinking!
- ____, This classroom space allows for movement and interaction, which will inspire learning!
- ____, The available hands-on materials for students will motivate and support their learning.
- ____, The quiet space truly validates introverts, reflection, and introspection!



Engagement