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Alliance for a Kinder Culture (AKC)

In order to create an Alliance for a Kinder Culture, the Marion Central School District is creating a team of faculty, staff, students, parents, administration and all other interested stakeholders to spearhead this important vision. Our deliberate use of the word “alliance” illustrates our belief that the most positive, supportive and respectful learning cultures can only be obtained and sustained if we all come together and accept this challenge as a shared responsibility. In doing so, we hope to accomplish the following:

1. Communicate current and brainstorm additional strategies to continuously celebrate and reinforce the positive behaviors and experiences that occur each and every day in our learning community.
2. Communicate current and identify additional learning opportunities for all stakeholder groups on topics such as; prosocial behaviors, civic-mindedness, being culturally responsive, identifying and responding to bullying situations, and others.
3. Define and communicate specific protocols and responsibilities for when an alleged bullying event has been observed or reported.
4. Develop “Agreements” for what each stakeholder group will commit to in order to create a more positive, kinder, respectful, and inclusive learning community.

We anticipate at least three meetings to accomplish these goals, as well as some possible follow-up meetings this year or next to make any necessary adjustments or modifications. This will be a working group requiring active contributions from its members. Although we recognize the motivation to join the group may be based on personal experiences for some members, the focus of the group will be future oriented and designed to move us closer to our “ideal” learning environment.

The initial meeting will be held on Thursday, October 24th at 6:30 p.m. in the Jr.-Sr. High Library. Anyone interested in joining us, please contact Nadine Mitchell (x1200) or Barb Schoonerman (x1205).

We hope to see you there!

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