# SAFE CLASSROOMS PLEDGE

## I pledge to make my classroom safe for all my students.

A positive school climate exists in a school where students, teachers, parents and staff feel safe at all times: physically, emotionally, and socially. Everyone should feel respected and valued at school. We all thrive when students can express themselves and when teachers and peers respect their opinions. Only together can we create and maintain safe and positive schools.

## What I do to keep my classroom safe and positive for all students:

#### I teach classes that reflect students' lives and experiences.

- I display student artwork and essays in the hallway and lobby.
- I clearly define my expectations of students.
- I work with administrators to help my students reach their goals.
- I connect my students with mentors and others who understand what students go through.

### I use restorative justice policies.

- I mediate disagreements among students instead of using punitive discipline.
- I don't remove students from school unnecessarily.
- I talk to my students about what makes a positive school climate.



