

## October Attribute is INCLUSIVENESS.

I will work to build a community where everyone feels included, empowered, and valued for his or her unique contributions.

## WHAT IS INCLUSIVENESS?

INCLUSIVENESS is when you make everyone feel welcome and appreciated.

## I WILL:

Take some time to learn about the similarities and differences in my community Encourage success in others by supporting their strengths
Recognize and celebrate differences
Include others equitably
Manage cultural change openly toward greater levels of inclusivity
Help promote a sense of belonging to all community members

## **Practical suggestions...**

Everyone is included regardless of religion, social status, sexual difference, gender, age, physical or mental ability, or any other factor that separates people.

Differences in values, cultures, concepts, learning styles and perceptions that individuals possess are used constructively.

Teach your children to see the positive value of all differences and to accept them. Inclusiveness is crucial to our ability to educate youth.

"Share our similarities - Celebrate our differences." M Scott Peck

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