

## **Teton School District 401**

### **STUDENTS 3700**

### School Culture

The District is committed to providing a safe learning environment for all students, staff, and visitors. This commitment is focused on meeting students' physical, mental, emotional, social, and safety needs to create a school culture that is safe, welcoming, and nurtures positive relationships to guide student achievement. To this end, the Board shall strive to ensure a positive school culture throughout the District.

“School culture” refers to such enduring features among or across the people at the school as:

1. Shared values;
2. Norms
3. Written and unwritten rules;
4. Expectations;
5. Belief patterns;
6. Teaching and learning approaches;
7. Behaviors;
8. Traditions; and
9. Relationships.

School climate, meaning the quality, character, and “feel” of school life is an important component of school culture.

The District Trustees shall consider the impact upon school climate any time they review policies or procedures or consider such documents for adoption or revision. Additionally, the Board directs the Superintendent to take actions to ensure a positive school climate across the District, including prioritizing school climate when promulgating procedures and directing staff to work to foster a positive climate.

The administrative team will report on school culture in their regular school reports and at their end of year summary.

Legal References: IDAPA 08.02.03.160 Safe Environment and Discipline

#### Policy History:

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