

The Mendell is an inclusive school community. We welcome students, staff and families of all racial, ethnic, and linguistic backgrounds, of all economic means, of any gender, of any religion, of any sexual orientation, and of all learning styles, strengths and needs. In our community:

- There is a place for everyone (**belonging**)
- We honor and celebrate our diversity (respect)
- We invite different viewpoints, opinions, thoughts, and ideas (safe place)
- We look to build and strengthen connections with each other (relationships)
- We are committed to working for equity (justice)
- We understand that fostering a truly inclusive community is a continuous process, and that there is no end-point to this discussion and work (humility)