Ideas for Enhancing School Climate

Physical and Emotional Safety

- Reaffirm core school values
- Establish remote/hybrid learning code of conduct
- Be sensitive to data privacy
- Teach public health best practices
- Provide resources to families
- Make school counselors and psychologists accessible
- Start classes/meetings with a check-in

Diversity/Equity/ Inclusion

- Be sensitive to health and financial challenges
- Understand wide range of students needs and emotion
 - Routine and intensity best for some; others may need more space
- · Focus on anti-racism efforts
- Beware of possible COVID-19 related bias and stigma
- Leverage student skills in technology and design work

Relationships

- Student-to-student
 - Encourage group work, extracurriculars
 - Organize students to reach out beyond their friends group
- Adult-to-adult
 - Virtual faculty meetings
 - · Grade level teams
 - Continuity around mentoring programs
 - Transparency
- Adult-to-student
 - · Scheduled check-ins

Supportive Teaching Practices

- Provide e-learning professional development
- Help teachers navigate any changes to scheduling/hybrid structures that may be instituted this fall
- Set community expectations
- Maintain whole child approach
- Establish clear frameworks and goals

School Pride/ Sense of Community

- Foster community engagement
- Transition school spirit activities online
 - Speeches and performances
 - Morning announcements
- · Have fun and be creative
 - Contests
 - Skits
 - Involving family members