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Honey Creek Community School is committed to being a school where everyone feels safe, included, respected, and valued. We are dedicated to educating critical thinkers who are prepared to engage in social justice; and are empathetic and recognize the dignity, worth, and humanity of all people. We welcome perspectives and stories from each person in our community, seek common purpose, and confront our own biases. When each member of our community is valued, we can come together to act in compassionate and courageous ways to shape a more equitable and sustainable world.

The Honey Creek Community affirms that...

- Social justice is everyone's responsibility, and is a lifelong practice of teaching and learning.
- Equal access to rights and opportunities is essential for all people; recognizing and repairing unfair biases and discrimination in our school promotes accountability in our entire community.
- Diversity and inclusion are foundations for equity and justice only when they are truly valued, and when people from all identities and backgrounds experience a felt sense of belonging and agency.

We model our shared values and beliefs, and grow as individuals when...

- We are kind, caring, compassionate, honest, respectful, and brave in our interactions with each other.
- We look for ways to help others, and ask for help when we need it.
- We take responsibility for our mistakes and learn from them to build positive change.

We put our shared values and beliefs into practice as a community when...

- We use professional development, parent education, inclusive school policies and practices, and systems of repair and restoration to encourage commitment to social justice.
- We are centering equity for all learners by diversifying our curriculum; challenging dominant narratives; affirming marginalized groups; and intentionally creating a path forward that connects us all to our past, present and future.
- We foster positive relationships through interactions that are respectful, authentic, and direct.
- We routinely take time to review and reflect upon our shared values, beliefs, and mission to make sure we continue to empower all of our community members to develop to their fullest potential.

Welcome! Thank you so much for joining us in this important work.