

SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL ENVIRONMENT

My Beliefs	In a virtual space...	In a distanced space...	In a blended space...
I believe	Therefore,	Therefore,	Therefore,
<p>Community and relationships are the core of learning and must be centered in any conversation.</p>	<p>I schedule zoom/google meets to sustain and build relationships. I meet with small groups for show and tells and community shares. I use children's lived experiences to build connections and develop meaningful curriculum.</p> <p>I use information that I gather from small groups, my communication with families, and perhaps interest surveys, to form small cohorts of children based on interests. I keep these cohorts together for lessons and shared experiences.</p>	<p>I emphasize emotional connection when physical connection is not possible. I encourage and facilitate conversations all day in the classroom.</p> <p>I push back against "more" and "faster" when it comes at the expense of connection and community.</p>	<p>I capitalize on the time in the classroom to build connections with students through conversation, storytelling, play, rituals, and shares.</p> <p>I reach out to families and caregivers to see how the home-school transition is going for their children and if there are more ways for me to support them.</p>