

Culture Fusion



Dear Brentwood Families,

Brentwood Elementary has a long history of supporting teaching and learning that addresses the cognitive, emotional, physical, and social needs of all learners. Mrs. Katherine Williams-Carter served the school as principal for 33 years, and made it her life's work to ensure that these core values guided the work of the school. Under her leadership, the school adopted the Tribes model of fostering safe and caring environments in which students can thrive. Tribes has played an integral role in the development of community on our campus, and continues to support the overall Social and Emotional learning of all students.

A group of parents submitted a proposal to Principal Laroche in March 2016 articulating their desire to continue to see the core values of Brentwood carried on into the next chapter of our school. Because of their leadership, the PTA allocated funding to create what we have now come to call Culture Fusion. In June 2016, six teachers came together for the purpose of creating documents and curriculum resources that will guide the work of our school moving forward. The team collected data from all stakeholders, and honored the desires of the community by preserving the Creative Learning Initiative, Lifeskills Agreements, Social and Emotional Learning, and Tribes Learning Communities.

The teachers at Brentwood Elementary are truly grateful to our PTA for providing the funding necessary to complete such important work for our school. We are also very thankful for the initiative displayed by the team of parents who expressed their desire to see the important aspects of Brentwood Culture preserved. A very special thank you to:

Layne Acker, Todd Gernert, Karen Habib, and Karen Wiley

Sincerely,

The Brentwood Faculty and Staff