

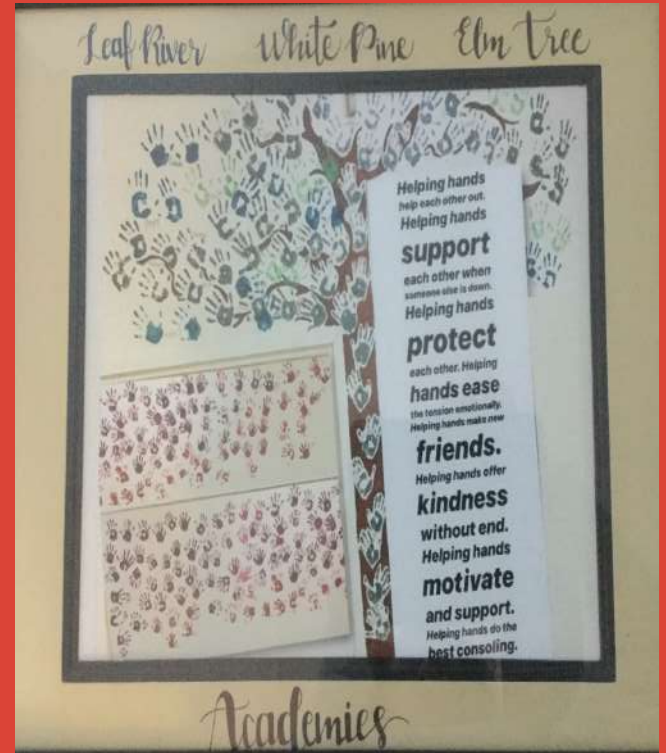
FRESHWATER LEVEL IV PROGRAMS

Professional Learning Communities

LEVEL IV FAMILY

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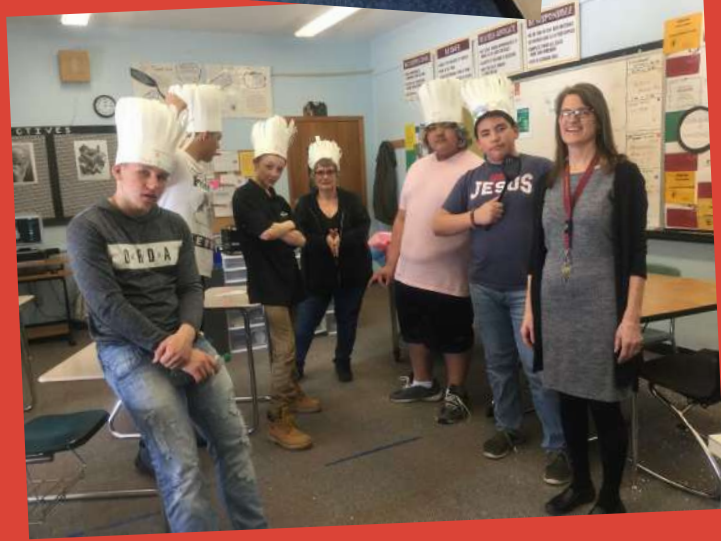
Our PLC was about building community with our students and staff. We have 3 academies with students ranging from Kindergarten through 12th grade. We want our students and staff to better know and understand each others' unique abilities and differences.



IMPLEMENTATION

- Our goal was to group students with those they may not otherwise talk to in order to practice social skills and learn acceptance.
- Set backs: We had a lot of push back from older students regarding sitting with younger students at meal time.
- Accomplishments: Older students now ask to mentor younger students and younger students look up to the older students.
- Mission: Our students will be able to use these skills in their communities and in their mainstream schools.





ORGANIZATIONAL IMPACT AND LESSONS LEARNED

- Trying something new can be challenging but you have to persevere!
- Expose students to unfamiliarity to allow them to make connections and embrace diversity.
- Although we have 3 academies we truly are one solid community and level IV family.