



# RecipeCards

A Project of the Jeffco Student Health Advisory Council

## ***MISSION STATEMENT***

*An activity to encourage the cultivation of a healthy classroom environment.*

**Time**  
25-35 Minutes

**Group Size**  
30 Students

**Materials**  
Paper, Poster, White board, Markers, and Dry erase markers.

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

1. The teacher will write the statement “My vision of a great classroom environment is…” and then pass out a sticky note/piece of scrap paper to each student.
2. Students are expected to write on their papers a statement that finished the one written on the board.
3. Next, the teacher will have students join into groups of 4 to 5 and discuss amongst themselves the statements they wrote. In these groups students will decide and workshop which of the statements embodies the spirit of the group.
4. Groups will share out their collective statements to the class, and the teacher will write these statements on the board.
5. As a class, students will determine which aspects of the statements written on the board embody the spirit of the class. As a class, students will refine the statement to a one-sentence mission statement, which the class will agree to abide by.

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- What is surprising/different/unusual/unexpected about our mission statement? Do you feel it represents fair treatment in the classroom? Why?
- Do we all share basic standards of respect and fair treatment? Why or why not?
- What can we do to understand how others would like to be treated?
- Where could we show more respect to one another in the classroom?
- Do we show a different level of respect to our friends/family than we do to our teachers/peers? Why is it different? Should it be different?
- Are there more mission statements that we could have for the classroom? Which statements stood out that we did not include? Why do they stand out?