

# AIKEN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL



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# Home of the Explorers

Mission: Aiken Intermediate School prepares a community of learners with academic skills, habits of mind, and leadership abilities necessary to succeed in a global society.

Vision: Our vision is to forge strong, positive relationships with students so they can build confidence, gain academic knowledge, and achieve independence.



AIS Battle of the Books team, Rapid Readers, placed 3rd in the middle school district-level competition.

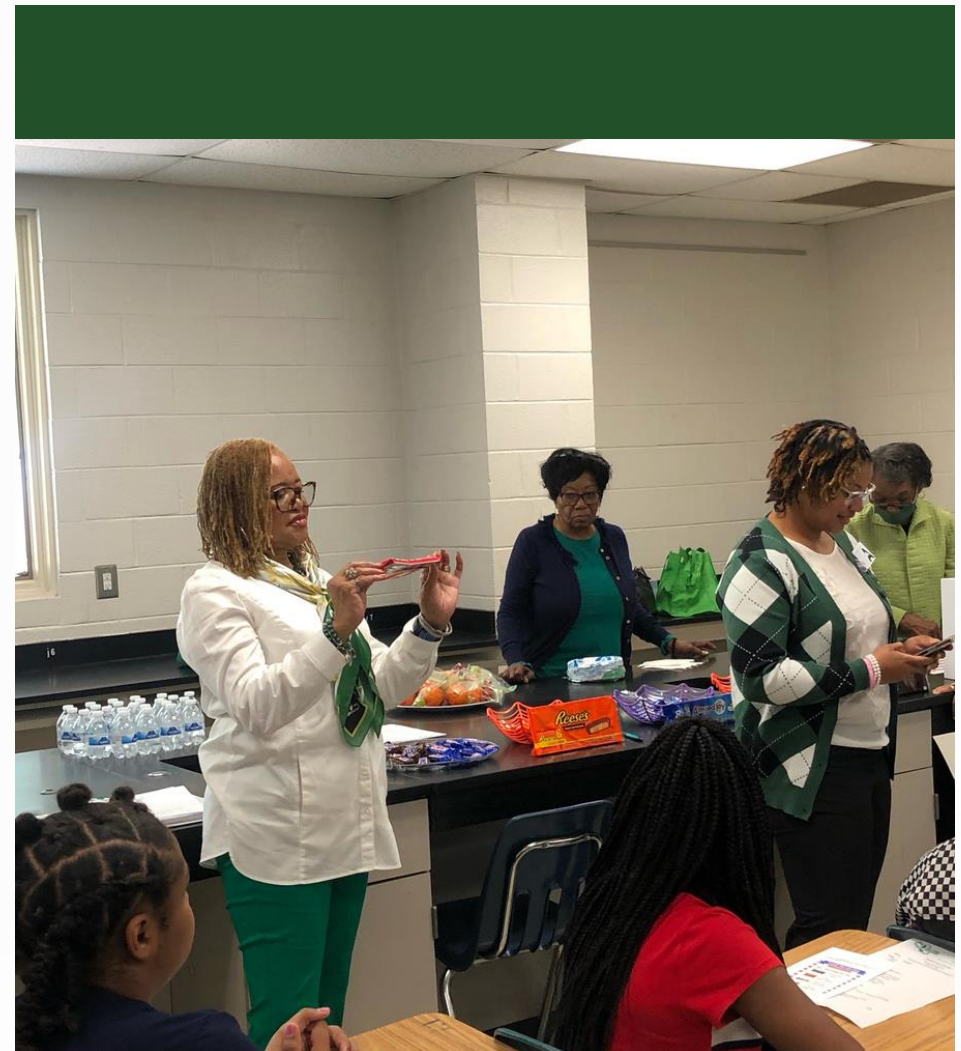
# OUR FOCUS: Social Emotional Learning



COMPASS EXPECTATIONS



CAPTURING KIDS' HEARTS



ACADEMIC & COLLEGIAL  
RELATIONSHIPS



Students are grouped in camps.

# COMPASS

**C**ome prepared to learn.

**O**wn your actions.

**M**ake safe choices.

**P**ersevere.

**A**dvocate for yourself and others.

**S**et and achieve goals.

**S**how pride in your school.



Our Explorers engage in a variety of service projects.



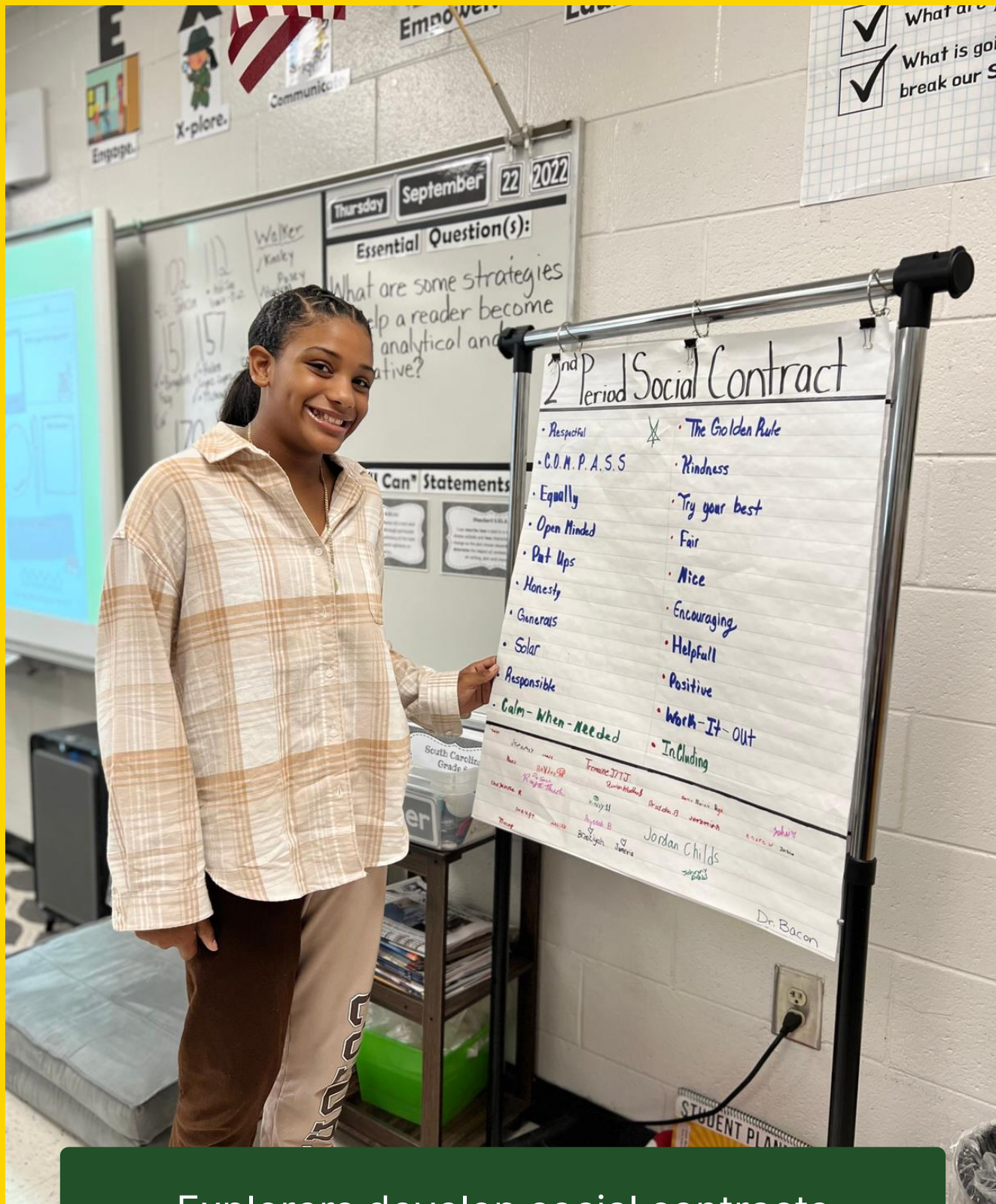
Our COMPASS expectations  
guide our Explorers.

# Capturing Kids' Hearts

Capturing Kids' Hearts is a relationship building approach to discipline that creates self-managing groups.

Capturing Kids' Hearts builds and deepens a positive, nurturing school which in turn leads to long-term success for students.





Explorers develop social contracts in each class.

## **Impacts the Educator's Heart First**

Building Relationships with Colleagues  
Building Relationships with Students  
Self-Management

## **Provides a Structure**

Clear Implementation Plan  
Common Language and Strategies  
Leadworthy Character Lessons

## **Impacts the Students' Hearts**

Character Education  
Service-Learning Opportunities  
Self-Directed



# Academic & Collegial Relationships

## **Content Area Professional Learning Communities**

Purpose

Growth

Partnerships

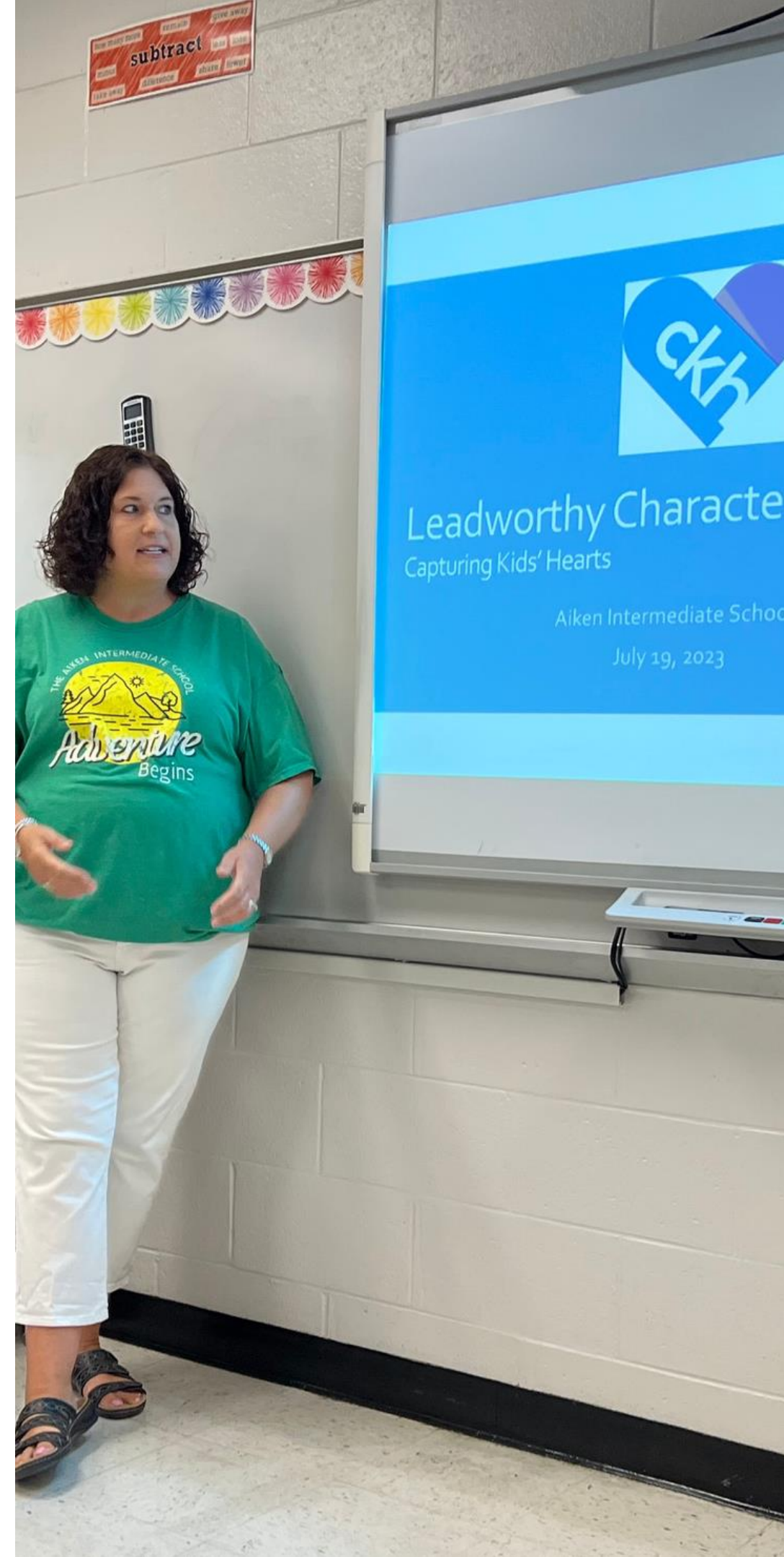
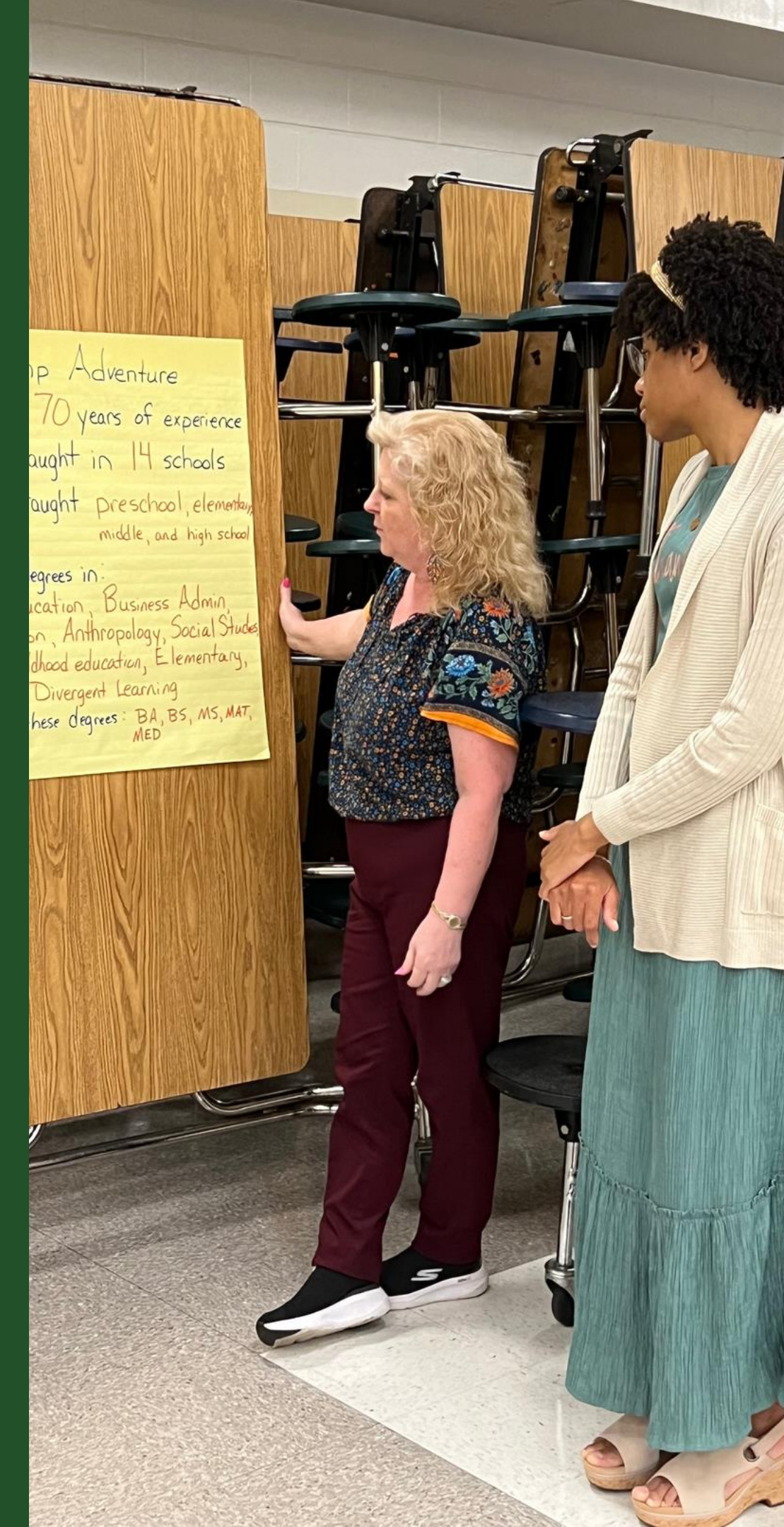
## **Camp Professional Learning Communities**

Purpose

Growth

Accountability






Our staff members work to strengthen relationships with one another.



Be confident  
in yourself and  
try to live life  
to the fullest.

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you are  
enough

