

**To feel like part
of the greater
good of a group.**

Feeling
safe

Being
heard

Feeling valued
as a part of a
community

Feeling valued,
heard and
seen.

What is belonging? What does it mean to belong?

outcome - Being
visible,
understood,
honored,
included, valued

I had opportunities to explore activities like art, sports, music, theater, and figure out what I liked

Allowed family involvement

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In what ways were your school experiences supportive of/ not supportive of your identity?

My teachers looked like me

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being an ELL, I experienced different levels of support of my immigrant identity throughout my time in school

By offering a variety of activities and extra curriculars so I could explore what worked for me

What role did relationships play in your education experience?
What meaningful relationships did you have in your schooling?

Relationships with both staff & students played a huge role in my high school success. I felt heard, respected, and supported which encouraged me to connect with all classroom & extracurricular opportunities to reach my full potential.

Positive peer relationships as well as positive adult relationships

I loved going to school because I had a supportive network of friends and opportunities to spend time with them. I looked forward to school because of the people