

■ SCHOOL CULTURE

Goal: For students to understand that culture holds specific expectations for their behavior & that there is great pressure to conform to those expectations.

Read this:

According to Wikipedia, “Culture” is “The set of shared attitudes, values, goals, and practices that characterizes an institution, organization or group.”

Ask students to write about the culture of your class and/or school. Ask students to be sure to answer the following questions:

- What are the expected behaviors?
- Dress?
- Language?
- Who enforces that?
- How is it enforced?
- How do the expectations of the adults differ from those of the students?
- How does that work out?