# **MAP PROGRAM**



**MAP** is a program designed to focus on the social, emotional, physical, intellectual, psychological and ethical development of students. We provide daily structured time during which special activities are designed and implemented with the support of a consistent, caring adult and peer group.

Research has shown the following benefits to students:

- · Increased achievement
- · Improved self-esteem
- · Improved behavior
- Reduced bullying incidents

**MAP** activities will vary and will engage students in self-reflection, group discussion, and school-wide activities which support the building and district goals.

# MAP is not

- · A traditional homeroom
- · A replacement for guidance
- · A graded class

# MAP Goals

- 1. To ensure that each student is known well at school by at least one adult who is that child's advocate, thereby providing a safe haven for all students.
- 2. To create a community environment that cultivates healthy, positive peer relationships.
- 3. To create a safe environment to support success and promote personal growth as positive middle school student through facilitated meaningful experiences.
- 4. To help students develop positive character traits and discover what is unique about themselves and others so that they come to respect, value and appreciate the many differences among people.

### **Questions and Answers**

### When does MAP meet?

**MAP** meets daily for 10 minutes and once a month for extended MAP which is a 26-minute period.

### Who will be in each MAP group?

**MAP** groups will consist of children from various grade levels working with an advisor. The program is designed to have students remain with their **MAP** group/advisor for all four middle school years, with the exception of the MAP leadership teams.

### Who will be my child's advisor?

Advisors are staff members which includes teachers, guidance counselors, administrators, etc.