Welcome to this beautiful day with the charge of change and perspective. Reflect on your day. How many moments did you experience when you were fully present? Close your eyes. Take three deep breaths. Feel your heartbeat. In RJ circles with the children, we pause to understand what it feels like to be present. We continue to explore what it means to speak and listen from the heart. I simply ask the question: 'What do you think it means to speak from the heart?' and pass the talking piece. I pass my turn so the students take the led. What interesting and beautiful responses I witnessed. What do you think it means to speak and from the heart? Please enter yours and your families response here.

Vision

Restorative Justice Montclair (RJM) is guided by a philosophy that fosters social and emotional well-being, acceptance, empowerment and mutual respect for those who are impacted by and involved in conflict. RJM will build cultures and communities of response-ability, respect and reparation of relationships where harm has occurred.

Mission

Restorative Justice Montclair (RJM) is a collaboration of the Montclair Board of Education, the Montclair Education Association and our Montclair community. RJM seeks to cultivate an equitable environment where all individuals feel safe, included, heard and will benefit from shared learning experiences. RJM will provide integrated methods to address conflict through reflection, reconciliation and accountability where harm has occurred.

Restorative Justice (RJ) is an indigenous philosophy that emphasizing building relationships. If there is a need to repair harm caused by conflict and wrongdoing, restorative justice provides an opportunity for everyone impacted by an incident to come together in a safe space to address their feelings and needs, and reach a resolution that heals and restores relationships.