

# ALIGNING WITH THE CULTURE OF YOUR SCHOOL

Planning meetings are an opportunity to align with the culture of your school. Follow these tips to learn more about the school culture in these meetings.

- Request a copy of the demographic data for the school.
- Inquire about the relationship between the demographics of the student population and the teaching staff.
- Inquire about the number of home languages spoken at the school.
- Inquire about other arts programs at the school.
- Inquire about extracurricular activities, clubs, or teams at the school.
- Inquire about social emotional learning and culturally responsive teaching initiatives in the school.
- Inquire about incidents of bullying in the school.
- Inquire about the discipline policies in the school.
- Inquire about the PTA involvement in the school.
- Use the answers to the questions to create a picture of the school community and culture.