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## SUPERINTENDENT'S LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

District Office

September 18, 2024

3:30 p.m.

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Our charge and scope
3. Group Working Agreements:
  - Our goal is to gain a deeper understanding of the topics we discuss, not necessarily agree.
  - Approach conversations in a way that cultivates kindness, respect, and confidentiality.
  - Participate to the fullest of your ability: be an active listener, share ideas, pose questions
  - Speak your truth and avoid generalizations.
  - "Be curious, not judgmental" -Ted Lasso
4. Key concepts defined:

*Gruenert, S. and Whitaker, T. (2023). School Culture vs. School Climate. ASCD, November 28, 2023*

  - School culture
  - School climate
5. Essential Question (Think, pair, discuss):

**"What school culture and climate elements are within our sphere of organizational influence, and what is outside our purview?"**
6. Viable sources of data, evidence and information
7. Communicating our work/progress with colleagues
8. Other

Requested Reading for 10/16: *Baker, S. and Koedel, C. (2024). The Decline in Teacher Working Conditions During and After the COVID Pandemic. (EdWorkingPaper: 24-1000). Summary and conclusions: pages 15-17*

Next Meeting: October 16, 2024

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