Critical Consciousness ~ Text as Expert

Text as Expert Processing:
- Read each of the quotes and choose one that connects with you
- Share your quote and why you chose it

After sharing, *discuss:* In what ways do we need to consider and work to develop relationships in schools differently than we have historically and in our past experiences?

"Through providing a framework and a language for analysis, making space to talk about inequity, and teaching students how to take action, schools can integrate students' socio-political realities into their ongoing work and contribute to critical consciousness development." (El-Amin et al., 2020)

"In the long run, our work is to create affirming classroom cultures that interrupt bias and prime students with positive associations about who they are and can be in the world." (Safir, 2016)

"An inclusive school culture is one where students feel comfortable being themselves, and protected from the harm that comes from disrespect and discrimination. When educators, school counselors and administrators intentionally try to create a representative, respectful school culture, students' socioemotional development can thrive." (Teach.com, 2022)

"Instinctively, children tend to understand what is kind and what isn't. It's almost second nature for them to separate empathetic and loving behavior from actions and words that are pernicious and hurtful. What's more nuanced, though, is to figure out that sometimes those harmful words or actions hit all the harder because they carry the added force of structural inequity." (Turner, 2019)