

DeKalb County School District Six Core Values:

- **Humanization** Before we can address the critical work that has to be accomplished collectively in the DeKalb County School District, we must connect as human beings first. Recognizing value and worth and not viewing others solely as resources and a means to an end.
- **Professionalism** should be exhibited in all phases of our professional and personal life. Our dress code, the manner in which we communicate, accountability, and punctuality are some traits that represent professionalism.
- **Respect** A professional work environment is built on mutual respect. We treat each other with courtesy, we value diversity, and appreciate different perspectives.
- **Integrity** is closely related to professionalism but it involves honesty, truthfulness, and ethical conduct. Taking responsibility for their actions and maintaining confidentiality when required.
- **Dignity** Fair treatment of individuals. Not discriminating against individuals because of race, gender, age, or sexual orientation. Open and honest communication regardless of the position or title is imperative.
- **Empathy** Understand and share the feelings, perspectives, and experiences of others. It involves recognizing and acknowledging the emotions and concerns of others, as well as responding in a compassionate and supportive manner.

