



# **AWSL Belief Statements**

## Bringing Student Voice to the Leadership Framework

Using the AWSP Leadership Framework and applying the criteria areas to the work of student leaders, this collection of Belief Statements was drafted by the AWSL Steering Committee at their retreat at the Cispus Learning Center, August 14-16, 2014.

### **Criterion 1: Creating a Culture**

We believe that students and staff thrive in a culture where they feel valued and supported.

### **Criterion 2: Ensuring School Safety**

We believe that every student deserves to experience physical and emotional safety which leads to belongingness and success.

### **Criterion 3: Planning with Data**

We believe that principals are informed best with data collected by student leaders who can articulate the voice of their fellow students.

### **Criterion 4: Aligning Curriculum**

We believe in making it a priority to increase student learning by developing new study strategies and leading by example in the classroom environment.

### **Criterion 5: Improving Instruction**

We believe that classroom instruction can be improved by giving teachers feedback and actively participating in class.

### **Criterion 6: Managing Resources**

We believe that student leaders must establish a relationship with principals in order to properly use ASB funds and maintain resources within the school

### **Criterion 7: Engaging the Community**

We believe that as student leaders, we have an obligation to make our schools active members in our communities.

### **Criterion 8: Closing the Gap**

We believe that student leaders need to advocate for equitable opportunities to promote the success of all students regardless of circumstance.