



**We're going on a mission!**

.....And you are planning it:)

# **So what is a mission anyways?**

*Turn and talk to the person sitting next to you. Answer these three questions together:*

- 1. What does the word mission mean to you?*
- 2. Why is creating a class mission a good thing?*
- 3. Think of a time when you have accomplished a mission. How did it feel?*

# The clear-cut definition of a mission statement . . . .

- A summary of the aims, values and goals of a company, organization, group or individual.
- Think to yourself, “Do we as a class have aims, values or goals?”

With your table, please brainstorm a list of 3-5 aims values or goals that you all feel we should be on a mission to achieve or live by.

# Why should we even have a class mission statement?????

- ❖ Many businesses and organizations wonder if having a mission statement is even worth the effort.
- ❖ Research shows, however, that the writing of a mission statement is directly linked to greater income and success in companies.
- How can we compare our classroom to a business if we don't make money?
- Think of what your idea of a successful classroom looks like. What are two characteristics of a successful classroom?

# Characteristics of a great class mission statement:

- *Create it=*
- *Short, sweet, and to the point.*
- *Clearly state the class's purpose*
- *Involve everyone*
- *Communicate it= Revisit it often, make a commitment to it, and BELIEVE in the statement!*
  
- *Let's get started!*

# Examples of existing mission statements:

Facebook: Facebook's mission is to give people the power to share and make the world more open and connected.

Do you think facebook accomplishes this? Why?

Boys and Girls Club:

To enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.

**It is the mission of Dr. Fatolitis's  
\_\_\_\_\_ period science class to**

**(Fill in the blank) by**

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It shall be the mission of Dr. Fatolitis's 7<sup>th</sup> period science class to learn the concepts of science by having no demerits, become independent learners, staying on task, staying focused, working as a team.

It shall be the mission of Dr. Fatolitis's 4th period science class to understand the concepts of science by being inquisitive, staying focused and remaining on task.