In addition to building character and community, MUS Restorative Dialogue Circles (Mustang Meetings), help build the following skills called out in the CCSS ELA Speaking and Listening Standards:

**CCSS.ELA.SL.1**
Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

**CCSS.ELA.SL.3**
Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric.

**CCSS.ELA.SL.4**
Present information, findings, and supporting evidence such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

**CCSS.ELA.SL.6**
Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and communicative tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate.

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In addition to building character and community, MUS Restorative Dialogue Circles (Mustang Meetings), help develop the following Habits of Mind:

**Managing Impulsivity:** Learning to remain calm, thoughtful, and deliberative.

**Listening with Empathy:** Devoting mental energy towards another person's thoughts or ideas.

**Thinking Flexibly:** Being able to generate alternatives, change perspectives, and see options.

**Communicating with Clarity:** Avoiding over-generalizations, distortions, or exaggerations.

**Thinking Flexibly:** Being able to generate alternatives, change perspectives, and see options.

**Remaining Open to Continuous Learning:** Having humility and pride when admitting gaps in knowledge; resisting complacency.