FOUR HOUSES. ONE HERD. ALL KIND.



Shelburne Middle School is elevating its school culture and sense of belonging with the launch of the Ron Clark Academy House System this school year.

The program builds smaller, family-like communities within the larger school to promote a positive school culture in which every student feels connected and valued.

Students and staff spun a wheel during a school assembly to see which house they'd belong to; one of four houses, each with its own color, name, and core value:

- **Altruismo (Black)**: The House of Givers, generosity and service
- **Amistad (Red):** The House of Friendship, loyalty and kindness
- **Isibindi (Green):** The House of Courage, bravery and perseverance
- **Reveur (Blue):** The House of Dreamers, creativity and imagination

To support the initiative, the Shelburne PTA partnered with SCS to provide every Shelburne student and staff member with a Kindness Matters shirt in their House color, tying Shelburne's new program to the division-wide kindness initiative.

We appreciate the PTAs generosity in funding half of the shirt expenses for the House initiative.

Throughout the year, students will earn points for their houses by showing leadership, teamwork, and acts of kindness.



