



Seven Principles for Early Learning

Imani- Faith	Does it teach them to value their relationships? Do they feel safe? Does it offer connections to spirituality?
Kujichagulia-Self Determination	Does it teach self-governance? Does it instill pride? Self-sufficiency? Resilience? Work ethic? The importance of using their words?
Ujima - Working Together	Does it teach them the value of working with other people? Does it give them the opportunity to see the end result of group work?
Ujamaa- Helping Our Neighborhoods Grow	Does it teach them to share? The importance of contributing to their environment? Does it give them the opportunity to connect with community helpers and businesses?
Nia- Purpose	Does it encourage them to carry out things that they enjoy? Does it give them space to share the things they love? Does it make them smile?
Kuumba- Creativity	Does it teach them to use their imagination? Practice critical thinking? Does it give them the opportunity to problem-solve?
Umoja- Unity	Does it instill a love for their people? Do they get to experience elements of culture and traditions?

