Principles of Community

WE AFFIRM
the inherent dignity and value of every person and strive to maintain a climate for work and learning based on mutual respect and understanding.

WE AFFIRM
the right of each person to express thoughts and opinions freely. We encourage open expression within a climate of civility, sensitivity, and mutual respect.

WE AFFIRM
the value of human diversity because it enriches our lives and the university. We acknowledge and respect our differences while affirming our common humanity.

WE REJECT
all forms of prejudice and discrimination, including those based on age, ancestry, color, disability, gender, gender identity or expression, genetic information, HIV/AIDS status, military status, national origin, pregnancy, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or protected veteran status. We take individual and collective responsibility for helping to eliminate bias and discrimination and for increasing our own understanding of these issues through education, training, and interaction with others.

WE PLEDGE
our collective commitment to these principles in the spirit of the CFAES mission: We sustain life.