

Governance Commitment and Beliefs

The Board, supporting the welfare of students, the work of staff, and the interest of the community, holds itself accountable to the citizens of the district by ensuring that all action it takes is consistent with law and the Board's policies.

1. In the fulfillment of this charge, the Board is committed to rigorous, continual improvement of its capacity to govern effectively through policy by defining its concerns in terms of values and its vision in terms of expectations.
2. The following beliefs reflect the district's fundamental values and character:
 - a. Respectful communication is an essential element of a successful, high performance school district.
 - b. All staff members should elevate the academic standards by recognizing and accommodating the different learning styles of each student.
 - c. By encouraging a community partnership with our schools through involvement activities (i.e. classroom volunteering, youth athletics, etc.), we will ultimately improve student learning.
 - d. Everyone is a role model.
 - e. It is essential that everyone help create a student learning environment that encourages clear, open communication with mutual respect.
 - f. Every individual can learn.
 - g. Learning is a lifelong process
 - h. Ability to adapt to change is essential.
 - i. A diverse population working in unity enriches a community.
 - j. Hard work and perseverance are essential in order to maximize our potential.
 - k. High expectations are important for student learning.

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