

## **Instruction**

### **Educational Philosophy and Objectives**

The District's educational program will seek to provide an opportunity for each student to develop to his or her maximum potential. The objectives for the educational program are:

**A. To pursue academic excellence for all students and the District**

- To expand oral and written communication skills
- To emphasize the application of basic skills to real life situations
- To engage students in effective learning practices including the application of informational technology
- To promote creativity and aesthetic expression for all students.
- To ensure the delivery of appropriate educational programs for all students

- To promote physical fitness, wellness, and life learning skills.
- To analyze standardized test scores with a focus on continual improvement and compliance with federal guidelines

**B. To support and encourage staff development**

- **To promote staff development on best practices in instruction at all levels**
- **To promote staff development for all employees to effectively perform job requirements**

**C. To promote collaborative and interpersonal skills which maintain a communication network reflecting family, staff, community and school board expectations.**

- To enhance the existing positive climate of interaction among students, staff, and community
- To maintain the correlation and continuity of educational programs
- To promote written and verbal documentation which communicates student progress

- To increase family involvement in their children's education
- To provide resources to support student and family needs
- To promote community awareness of the excellence and accomplishments of the District and the Board of Education
- To encourage and assess the use of technology in communicating with parents and the community
- To encourage participation of community organizations in support of District 10 programs

**D. To continue to support, review, access, and modify the technology plan**

- To provide ongoing staff training and support
- To encourage the use of technology in life skills
- To integrate technology throughout the curriculum
- To evaluate the plan's impact on the student's educational progress

**E. To respond to the changing cultural, developmental, and educational needs of the students and community**

- To promote the development of responsibility of one's own actions, ethics, discipline, and ability to establish and assess goals leading to good citizenship.
- To promote respect for diversity by students, staff, and community
- To investigate and implement additional programs to address student issues
- To continue to support the community based Character Counts! program
- To promote understanding and respect for our national heritage
- To promote student participation in community service activities

**F. To continually review safety and security plans and procedures in coordination with local and regional governmental entities to ensure a protective environment for our students and staff. To maintain efficient and responsible fiscal management policies in support of an excellent educational system**

- To ensure physical facilities/plant will support educational and environmental standards
- To continue the budgetary process that reflects the goals and objectives of the educational system and keep the community informed through a variety of forums

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