

Mission and Vision Statement

Mission:

To promote excellence by offering challenging curriculum and programs which enable all students to communicate effectively, become responsible citizens, demonstrate positive relationship and solve problems.

Vision:

To empower all students to acquire positive academic, social, and emotions skills in order to allow them to become productive citizens and lifelong learners.

Rationale:

Producing productive and responsible citizens is at the heart of what our education system should be doing. We often put so much emphasis on our students' ability to pass tests and boost scores, that we forget all other aspects of what makes them, and all of us, human. While we certainly want our students to be able to master the English language and complex math skills, above all else, we need them to be engaged in our society and engage in the discourse that makes it so great.

On top of being a responsible citizen, effective communication is key to students' role as a productive citizen and key to their ability to gain employment in the future. In order to participate in the discourse, I mentioned earlier, it is essential that students be able to clearly and effectively communicate so that they may deeply engage in our civil discussions. The more clearly you communicate, the more you can be engaged with. As well, effective communication

is key to students' ability to find and keep gainful employment. They must be able to use this communication to solve the complex issue that face the workforce of the 21st century.

In addition, the focus on developing relationships is incredibly important. Another dynamic of the 21st century workplace is the ability to develop team, and work in groups in order to solve problem. Students must understand the dynamics of relationships and understand how to foster those relationships in a professional environment.

Finally, the fact that the vision included the small word "all" in front of students is no mistake. The school community is focused on ensuring that all students are successful is as many environments as possible. It is key that the community understand that the schools commitment to excellence does not only extend to a sub-set of the population, but to the entire population regardless of race, ability, gender, sexual orientation, etc.

Overall, the focus on not only academics is what makes this mission and vision excellent. The mission and vision encompasses the whole student. As well, the vision end with creating life long learner which is what all educational institutions should be aiming for.