

SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

Vision, Mission and Guiding Principles

**Vision**

Helena Public Schools foster dynamic educational experiences that prepare all students for life.

**Mission Statement**

The Helena Public Schools educate, engage, and empower each student to maximize his or her individual potential with the knowledge, skills and character essential to being a responsible citizen and life-long learner.

This mission will be supported through the wise use of resources to meet students' needs, regardless of interests and talents. Students, families, educators and the community are committed to sharing the responsibility for creating a student-centered educational community that acknowledges learning as a life-long process.

**Guiding Principles**

- Each student enters school healthy and learns about and practices a healthy lifestyle.
- Each student learns in an intellectually challenging environment that is physically and emotionally safe for students and adults.
- Each student is actively engaged in learning and is connected to the school and broader community.
- Each student has access to personalized learning and to qualified, caring adults.
- Each graduate is prepared for success in college or further study and for employment in a global environment.

Each year, the Board and Superintendent will formulate annual goals for the District that reflect the District's vision, mission and guiding principles.

The Superintendent will provide the Board with a mid-year progress update.

At the conclusion of the year, the Superintendent shall report to the Board the status of agreed upon goals and the degree to which the goals have been accomplished.

Legal Reference:

Cross Reference:

Policy History:

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