

# Bellefonte Area School District

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## Mission

*Inspiring Today's Learners for Tomorrow's Challenges*

## Vision

Working collaboratively, we inspire a passion for learning, a commitment to excellence, and a respect for individuals and diversity as we prepare our students to face ever-changing global demands.

### Our:

- Schools have safe, healthy, respectful, and intellectually stimulating environments where students feel motivated to participate.
- Schools are student-centered, research and data driven, and future focused.
- Successes and challenges are used as a catalyst for future growth, change, and improvement.
- Curriculum, instruction, and assessment are continually evolving to ensure alignment with academic standards and use of best instructional and assessment practices.
- District utilizes state-of-the-art technology in order to make learning opportunities available and accessible to all members of the learning community.
- Personnel demonstrate a passion for teaching and learning, a commitment to personal growth and a respect for individuals.
- District advocates and nurtures a climate conducive to student learning and staff professional growth by building leadership capacity throughout the system.
- District provides facilities and resources that support educational programming, Pre-K through Adult.
- Parents, schools, and community work together to provide well-rounded educational opportunities.

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## **BELIEFS**

Beliefs, what we believe, what we think is important, what we honor and therefore how we do things.

### **About Students and Learning, the Bellefonte Area School District believes that:**

- All students can achieve, given appropriate and supportive environments.
- Learners need to feel safe, secure, and included.
- Students bring diverse backgrounds requiring differentiated approaches to teaching and learning.
- Student growth and achievement takes place not only in the academic arena but also in social, physical, and emotional contexts.

### **About Teachers and Teaching, the Bellefonte Area School District believes that:**

- Classroom instruction must be engaging, challenging, purposeful, and relevant.
- Effective educators employ best practices and nurture a culture conducive to student learning and continuous professional growth.
- Student assessment data should drive instructional decisions.

### **About Learning Communities, the Bellefonte Area School District believes that:**

- Everyone has worth and deserves to be treated with dignity and respect.
- A positive learning environment is necessary for learning to occur.
- Education is enhanced when there is collaboration, open communication, and shared responsibility among stakeholders; students, parents, faculty, staff, administrators, school board, and community members.