

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.