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Education Values from Town, Student, Staff & District Conversations | Fall 2019

Academic Excellence

The district offers strong and rigorous academics. At the same time, student success is broadly defined and there are multiple pathways to success.

Community Connections

There are strong connections between schools and the community. Community members volunteer in the schools and serve as mentors. Students are connected with the community and have community based learning opportunities. There are strong relationships among teachers, students and the community.

Educators

Teachers are dedicated, passionate and knowledgeable. They take time to get to know each student and are committed to helping students get what they need.

Equity (fairness)

Facilities are accessible for all students. Students have access to transportation, food and activities. Poverty is not a barrier to participation in learning opportunities or learning outcomes. Students and teachers are exposed to and are able to discuss a range of equity issues.

Socially and Emotionally Healthy Kids

Students have good social and communication skills, and are able to interact with people of different backgrounds. Students are adaptable. Students use technology in a wise and balanced way, and are able to communicate face to face with others without the use of technology. Students are kind to each other. Students have lots of opportunities for outdoor and physical activity and enough time to eat.

Student Led Personalized Learning

Students advocate for themselves, direct their learning and have choices about what they learn. There is a broad definition of success and many pathways to achieve success.

Town Schools

Schools are the heart of our community, the glue that holds the community together. There is an interdependent relationship between town and school. All children are known by at least one caring adult, and have relationships with each other across age groups, with teachers and community members.

Varied and Flexible Programming

Students have a wide range of learning options, including mentorships, internships, outdoor education, physical activity, clubs and extracurricular activities, education about the trades. Students have the opportunity to learn life skills. Students are exposed to cultural diversity and have access to foreign language and travel opportunities. Students have opportunities to learn critical thinking, communication and collaboration skills. There is access to early education and child care. Scheduling is flexible to meet the needs of different students.