

Sunny Brae Middle School

Mission and Vision

Mission Statement:

Sunny Brae Middle School is committed to providing a comprehensive program in a safe environment that serves the academic, physical, social and emotional needs of our students as they move from childhood to adolescence. Working as a team with parents and the community, our mission is to assist students in developing the necessary skills to become responsible, independent, and self-sufficient learners in a global community.

Vision:

Sunny Brae Middle School students will be actively engaged in the learning process as they acquire the skills necessary to become responsible, contributing citizens in a global community.

Our vision statement includes the following components.

Climate:

- Is a safe, nurturing environment for all
- Promotes open communication between all stakeholders
- Acknowledges and celebrates the achievements of students and staff
- Supports a diverse population of students

Staff:

- Focus on increased student achievement with instruction methods that reflect current research and proven effective classroom practices
- Supports the schools' mission, vision, values and goals
- Works to create an environment that promotes student success
- Models professionalism through personal integrity and commitment
- Collaborates to improve student learning

Academic Excellence:

- The curriculum is standards based, challenging and stimulating. It is interdisciplinary in nature and encompasses all aspects of a broad curriculum. The newly adopted Common Core Standards set the tone for all curriculum development.
- It addresses all learning styles to maximize student potential
- Focus is placed on character development which incorporates respect and social skills into academic concepts
- Focus is placed on continual improvement in student achievement.

Students:

- Accept responsibility for their learning and their actions
- Set goals and give their best effort to achieve high academic standards
- Behave in a manner that respects others; Demonstrates integrity
- Become involved in school and community service

Parents:

- Play an active role in the academic education and character development of their child
- Monitor their child's academic progress
- Are involved with the school by volunteering their time and/or service
- Form partnerships with school staff

Values:

1. We will provide an inviting classroom environment with clear expectations and specific academic and behavioral goals.
2. We will collaborate with colleagues to apply proven, effective classroom learning strategies and management practices to enhance student learning.
3. We will maintain regular communication through use of monthly newsletters, emails, phone calls, online grading information, etc.
4. We will hold regular events that reward and support students that are meeting academic and behavioral goals.
5. We will differentiate instruction that will make the curriculum accessible to all students.
6. We will provide acknowledgement and encouragement for small successes as well as large.
7. We will model the behavioral expectations that we expect of our students.