

Philosophy

The Hopkinton Public Schools' vision is to be regarded by other school districts, institutions of higher learning, and employers as a center of educational innovation that produces critical thinkers, creative problem-solvers, effective communicators, and productive, healthy citizens.

In order to achieve this vision, the district defines its mission as enabling students and staff to *learn, create, and achieve together* while embracing these values:

- The primacy of learning
- Achievement
- Collaboration
- Innovation
- Integrity
- Social, emotional, and physical well-being

The district believes that our schools must:

- Keep student learning at the core of all work;
- Maintain curriculum currency;
- Foster all students' powers of intellect so that they can demonstrate the ability to think critically and creatively;
- Promote the arts and music;
- Set high expectations for both students and staff while providing the supports that are necessary to meet these expectations;
- Cultivate responsibility; and
- Assist students in the development of a positive self-image and self-esteem.

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