

Mt. Vernon Township High School Strategic Plan 1999-2004

Mt. Vernon Township High School's Strategic Plan is based on the belief that we can determine the future of our world and our students by concentrating the energies of the community on providing those educational experiences that create in all students lifelong learning and responsible citizenship in a diverse and changing world.

GUIDING BELIEFS

Belief statements express our fundamental convictions. They are the foundations of the Strategic Plan. We believe that:

1. All students can learn.
2. Family involvement and community commitment are necessary for an effective education.
3. A safe, pleasant, and attractive environment enhances learning.
4. Education prepares students to function as responsible and productive citizens.
5. Lifelong learning is necessary for adaptation in a diverse and technological, changing world.
6. Education promotes intellectual, social, and emotional growth.
7. All participants in the educational process must be respectful, tolerant, and sensitive to others.
8. Everyone is accountable and responsible for his or her own actions.
9. Higher expectations yield higher results.
10. Schools exist for the best interest of all students.
11. Adequate funding is essential for a quality education.
12. This educational system should be fiscally responsible and cost effective.
13. An effective staff is essential for a quality education.
14. Every member of the community benefits from an effective school system.
15. Each student is unique and has the desire to succeed.
16. Education is experience that leads to vision, discovery, analysis, and application.
17. Students will have an equal opportunity to learn, regardless of cultural, social, or economic backgrounds.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission Statement expresses the purpose for which we exist and the functions we perform. The mission of Mt. Vernon Township High School, a community including students, parents, staff, and citizens, is to provide challenging educational and social experiences that will create in all students lifelong learning and responsible citizenship in a diverse and changing world.

OBJECTIVES

Objectives express our desired end result. They help us remember that our task is not finished as long as one student fails to reach his or her potential. Objectives to be accomplished by 1999-2004 are as follows:

1. All students will meet or exceed state and local learning standards as reported in the annual School District Report Card.
2. The district will actively pursue and secure sufficient funds necessary to achieve the Mission Statement and be fiscally responsible in administering such funds.
3. All aspects of our community will be aware of, involved with, and in full support of the school and the Mission Statement.
4. State-of-the-art technology will be integrated into all areas of the school's education program.
5. Administration, faculty, and staff will engage in collaborative curriculum planning and develop strategies for improving teaching skills.
6. The district will work with community resources to provide a safe, disciplined, and challenging learning environment for all students, regardless of cultural, social, or economic background.

*Developed by the citizens and staff of Mt. Vernon Township High School District No. 201
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