



## ***New Fairfield Public Schools Community***

### **Our Vision**

To create self-motivated, critical thinkers who demonstrate empathy and creativity, take risks, and persevere through challenges to become successful and productive citizens.

### **Our Mission**

To engage students, staff, and the community in a partnership to provide a collaborative, innovative, encouraging and safe environment where all members take an active role in supporting each other's learning while also helping students pursue their own passions.

### **Core Values**

*Teaching and Learning are more successful when...*

*All Stakeholders...*

- Collaborate to shape the future of each school.
- Cultivate positive relationships to support student growth.
- Demonstrate empathy and kindness, accept others' differences, and listen with understanding.
- Communicate with clarity and purpose individually or collaboratively, and publicly.

*All Students...*

- Invest in their personal growth, are accepted and valued by others, and are empowered to make decisions.
- Engage in authentic experiences across content areas that extend beyond the walls of the classroom in order to participate as responsible members in the local, national, and global community.
- Demonstrate a commitment to learning.
- Practice healthy behaviors that promote wellness and fitness.

*All Educators...*

- Create clear learning goals based on success criteria and provide feedback with targeted interventions.
- Base instruction on specific student needs, interests, strengths, and ways of learning.
- Collaborate, examine student work, and collectively address the academic, social, and emotional needs of all learners.
- Develop opportunities for classroom discussion and problem solving.
- Reflect and strive to improve their practice.
- Pursue opportunities for personal growth in meeting professional standards.