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USD 281 Mission Statement

The community of Unified School District 281 accepts the challenges of a

changing world by preparing our students to be productive and responsible

members of society.

USD 281 Exit Outcomes

1. The district will strive to make a difference in attitudes, values, and skills

that are used for developing the student's capacity to fulfill adult roles.

2. All students in USD 281 will have an individual responsibility for their

learning and accountability for their actions.

3. All students in USD 281 will be challenged to become independent thinkers,

effective communicators, decision-makers, problem solvers, and creative

thinkers.

4. USD 281 will implement a curriculum that will enable all students to adapt

to adult roles.

All students shall have an equal opportunity to pursue and acquire knowledge

and to master the curriculum's objectives. The program shall provide for

student mastery of basic skills, higher order thinking skills, the ability to work

in groups and individually, individual physical and mental well-being and other

varied needs and interests of students. The curriculum shall be outcomes-

oriented and the instructional program research-based.

The educational process shall be a comprehensive program undertaken in

cooperation with parents, institutions and community programs.

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