## Rumson Borough School District Rumson, New Jersey

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of the Rumson School District is to provide a comprehensive and caring learning environment. Partnering with the community, our schools nurture a passion for intellectual curiosity, which develops independence and innovation in each and every student. We are committed to a tradition of academic excellence, respect and social responsibility.

The Rumson School District integrates technology as a learning and information sharing tool to promote collaboration, communication, critical and creative thinking so our students thrive in a dynamic world.

## **BELIEF STATEMENTS**

## We believe that...

- 1. Teaching students how to learn provides the foundation for life-long learning in a rapidly changing world.
- 2. Students' active involvement in their own learning is a key to student achievement.
- 3. All children deserve the opportunity to fulfill and exceed their potential in a safe and nurturing learning environment.
- 4. Risk-taking, willingness to change, a commitment to continuous improvement, and collaborative decision-making approach are essential in a successful learning environment.
- 5. Knowledge empowers individuals.
- 6. The equitable allocation of resources advances the goals of our learning community.
- 7. Respecting and embracing cultural diversity and cultivating individuality enhances the educational experience.
- 8. Education is a shared responsibility of the entire learning community, including parents, teachers, students and administrators.
- 9. Character education is integral to the development of positive self-esteem, which in turn encourages positive growth.
- 10. All students can learn, but not necessarily in the same way.
- 11. Students are the focus in any learning community.
- 12. Schools are a source of pride and unity within the community.
- 13. Schools have an obligation to be true to their ideals.