

## **Ohio County Schools**

### **Strategic Plan adopted by the Ohio County Board of Education September 24, 2009**

#### **Mission Statement**

- "Ohio County Schools provides students with the skills, knowledge and support to achieve excellence and become lifelong learners"

#### **Vision Statement**

- "Ohio County Schools will excel in leading, motivating and educating individuals for successful lives"

#### **Belief Statements**

##### We will always...

- Embolden, enhance, encourage, and enlighten all students
- Value each individual as equally important
- Treasure our community's history, story and identity
- Place our students' best interest first
- Strive to be the best educators and role models possible
- Inspire our students to be their best
- Set high expectations
- Instill core values, confidence and a strong work ethic in our students
- Treat all students with compassion and respect
- Value each & every stakeholder/member of our staff
- Provide support for students and their families

## We will never...

- Limit the imagination or potential of our students
- Discriminate against, discourage, judge, embarrass or ridicule our students
- Judge a child's ability based on family or socio-economic background
- Give less than our best
- Place self-gain or self interest above our students
- Forget that students are our main focus
- Put a student at risk
- Have individual agendas
- Make hasty choices without all information
- Be dishonest
- Expect less than can be done or given
- Demean or belittle another person
- Use authority as a weapon

## Strategic Objectives

- We will provide opportunities for students to be more aware of a wider world and global economy, that they may become informed decision makers and have knowledge of other cultures.
- We will improve students' reading, math and science skills each year to insure they are prepared for college and/or careers.
- Each principal or designee will visit each student's home prior to the student leaving the third grade, in order to promote better understanding between parents and educators and increase parents' knowledge about the school.
- We will participate in at least four public events each year to strengthen relations between schools and the community, increase community knowledge about our schools, and listen to the community's ideas and concerns.
- We will establish at least two partnerships yearly between Ohio County School District or its schools and employers in our community.
- Each school will incorporate the "Developmental Assets" framework beginning with the 2010-11 school year, to help build the character and integrity of each student.

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