

## **LONOKE SCHOOL DISTRICT MISSION, VISION, AND BELIEFS FINAL PROPOSAL**

**Mission Statement:** The mission of the Lonoke School District is to create an environment that provides all students with the academic skills and responsible citizenship needed to be competitive in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

**Vision Statement:** Our vision is to create learning experiences that prepare graduates to be responsible members of society with marketable job skills in a global economy. We will accomplish this in the following manner:

- All students will be valued as contributing members of the learning process in every classroom, every day.
- All activities and systems of support will be designed to encourage the well-being of every student, including their social, emotional, and academic growth.
- Faculty and staff will model responsible citizenship and will guide students to accept increasing responsibility for their learning, decisions, and actions in order to become responsible citizens.
- All teaching and learning sequences will reflect attention to research-based practices, including but not limited to student engagement in relevant learning experiences that encourage critical thinking and problem solving, attention to diverse learning styles, cooperative learning, and differentiation to account for individual differences, interests, and abilities.
- Instructional practice will be intentional, aligned to state standards, and will reflect the integration of technology to support outcomes.
- Assessments of learning will be frequent, on-going, and used as a means to provide substantive feedback to students and teachers for improvement.
- Curriculum, instruction, and assessment will reflect commitment to innovative practice and continuous improvement.
- Personnel will work collaboratively across schools to scaffold learning experiences for all students.

**Belief and Values Statements:** We believe that it is our responsibility to ensure success for all students in the Lonoke School District. In order to support this belief, we place significant value in...

...high standards for student success

...high expectations for all students

...responsible citizenship

...reflection and inquiry about research-based practice

...a commitment from students and faculty to life-long learning

...on-going professional development that supports improved teaching and learning

...modeling and reinforcing adult behaviors, which contribute to nurturing, collaborative relationships and to an environment that is safe, orderly, and conducive to learning.

...a rigorous and relevant curriculum that meets the needs of all students, provides necessary school-to-work connections, and prepares students for a global market.

...fulfilling our responsibilities for good stewardship by managing the District's resources in a manner that addresses the needs of the community, establishes community partnerships, and builds community support.