

## **PHILOSOPHY OF PIEDMONT PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Piedmont Public Schools believe that educational opportunities and experiences should be provided for children which will enable them to develop to their full potential so that they may become useful, productive members of our democratic society.

We believe that these opportunities and experience should be a cooperative venture among students, school, parents, and the community.

In order to realize this philosophy, the Piedmont Board of Education has established the following goals:

Students will:

1. Master the basics skills and fundamental processes and be able to apply these skills in everyday situations.
2. Develop the ability to think rationally, to use and evaluate knowledge gained, and to make judgments and decisions in a wide variety of life roles.
3. Acquire a positive attitude toward intellectual activity and a desire for further learning.
4. Demonstrate a positive work ethic and saleable skills which will enable them to become economically independent.
5. Learn to form productive and satisfying relations with others based on respect, trust, cooperation, consideration, and caring.
6. Develop a commitment to the values of liberty and become a full participant in a democratic society.
7. Cultivate an understanding and an appreciation for the past and principles, values, and characteristics of different cultures.
8. Develop moral integrity and learn to make responsible choices.
9. Develop physical well-being, emotional sensitivity, and realistic acceptance of self and others.
10. Demonstrate the ability to accept changes, to assume responsibility for decisions, and to interact effectively with others.