

## INSTRUCTION

### **Mission Statement/Vision Statement**

#### A. Mission Statement

The Virginia Beach City Public Schools, in partnership with the entire community, will empower every student to become a life-long learner who is a responsible, productive and engaged citizen within the global community.

#### B. Vision Statement

Every student is achieving at his or her maximum potential in an engaging, inspiring and challenging learning environment.

#### C. Core Values

##### **We Put Students First:**

Student-Centered Decision Making – Choosing action that, above all else, benefit and support student learning, growth, and safety.

We ask ourselves: How am I putting student interests and needs first when making decisions?

##### **We Seek Growth:**

Continuous Learning- Pursuing formal and informal learning opportunities to foster personal growth and improvement for all.

We ask ourselves: In what ways am I making learning a priority?

##### **We Are Open to Change:**

Innovation – Encouraging new ideas or improved ways of teaching, learning, and working together to achieve our mission.

We ask ourselves: How am I implementing new or improved ideas to benefit my work and the work of the school division?

##### **We Do Great Work Together:**

Collaboration- Working together and building partnerships that will benefit our students, division, and community.

We ask ourselves: How and where am I working with others to improve my work and the work of the school division?

**We Value Differences:**

Respect- Fostering a trusting, open, ethical, honest, and inclusive environment where diversity of thought and individual contributions are prized.

We ask ourselves: what am I doing to invite, recognize and esteem perspective of those around me?

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