

SECTION: PROGRAMS

CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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101. PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION

The mission of the *Catasauqua Area School District*, in partnership with our community, is to achieve educational excellence and promote life-long learning.

Beliefs

- We believe our first priority is to provide a nurturing environment for every student to succeed as a productive, responsible member of our society.
- We believe a safe environment is created when there is an understanding and respect for diversity in all its forms.
- We believe a quality school system encompasses effective communication and cooperation among students, staff, school board members, families, and the community.
- We believe that in an ever-changing society, we must promote the understanding of the need for life-long learning.
- We believe the educational system must continuously re-examine its purpose, programs, curriculum, and direction to meet the many challenges in society.
- We believe parents, teachers, and students share with the community the responsibility to educate and empower all students to make intellectual, ethical, and socially acceptable decisions.
- We believe excellence in education requires a commitment to responsible expenditures of time, effort, and money from the entire community.
- We believe excellence in learning is a result of high expectations and a strong work ethic.

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