

## From the Cabinet

By Superintendent Dr. Rupak Gandhi

## Welcome to the 2023-24 School Year!

As we embark on a new and promising school year, I want to extend a heartfelt welcome to every one of you. The excitement of a fresh start fills the air, and the anticipation of success that awaits us is palpable.

The 2023-24 school year is special for Fargo Public Schools as we proudly introduce the newly adopted <u>FPS Philosophies</u>, a set of principles that will guide our actions, decisions, and daily operations. These philosophies are not just words on paper; they are a reflection of who we are and what we believe in. They are our commitment to educational justice, inclusivity, and academic freedom.

## *Our FPS Philosophies:*

<u>A Commitment to Excellence:</u> We are devoted to educating and empowering all students to succeed. Our schools are places where every student can thrive, no matter their background or needs.

<u>A Rationale for Practices:</u> Our philosophies serve as the cornerstone of our approach to education, providing clear and unwavering guidance in a world filled with differing views.

<u>Inclusive Practices:</u> We stand firm in our dedication to supporting inclusive practices in education. Every student, parent, and staff member are a valued part of our community.

<u>A Collaborative Effort:</u> Developed through consultation with students, parents, administrators, and educators, these philosophies represent a shared vision of our educational mission.

The FPS Philosophies were affirmed by the Fargo Board of Education on July 11, 2023, and they now stand as our organizational truths. With them, we embrace the opportunity to shape the identity of Fargo Public Schools and provide a clear path for our collective success.

As your Superintendent, I am inspired by our shared dedication to these values, and I am confident that this year will be filled with achievements, growth, and joy. Together, we will create a vibrant learning environment that nurtures curiosity, fosters resilience, and builds a future full of possibilities.

I invite you to join us in this exciting journey, driven by our FPS Philosophies, towards a year filled with discovery, collaboration, and excellence. Thank you for being part of our team to fulfill our mission of educating and empowering all students to succeed.

Wishing you all a wonderful and successful school year!

