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Philosophy Of the Shrewsbury Schools

The Shrewsbury Public Schools, in partnership with the community, will provide students with the skills and knowledge for the 21st century, an appreciation of our democratic tradition, and the desire to continue to learn throughout life.

Descriptors of Key Concepts:

PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COMMUNITY

The Shrewsbury Public Schools will foster meaningful relationships with parents, local businesses, and the community at large that will result in a broad understanding of the mission of the schools and the commitment to be involved.

SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE FOR THE NEXT CENTURY

The Shrewsbury Public Schools will provide the students with a highly-skilled teaching staff, a rich and varied curriculum, state-of-the-art technology, appropriate school facilities, and a school culture that promotes high standards of achievement for all students.

APPRECIATION OF OUR DEMOCRATIC TRADITION

The Shrewsbury Public Schools will model democratic values by encouraging student leadership on important issues, valuing diversity in the student population, and teaching our local and national heritage.

DESIRE TO CONTINUE TO LEARN THROUGHOUT LIFE

The Shrewsbury Public Schools will emphasize inquiry-based instruction, problem solving and innovation, student responsibility, the professional growth of staff, and the inclusion of the community in school programs.

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