

The School Board of the School District of Altoona sets forth the following statements to encapsulate the vision and fundamental purpose of the District and its schools:

#### VISION

*The Altoona school district, in partnership with our students, their families, and our community, is to build a foundation for life-long learning and the emotional well-being of our students. We are dedicated to offering large school opportunities with a small school approach.*

#### MISSION

*The School District of Altoona strongly believes in:*

- *Promoting our students' emotional well-being and enabling them to meet all the state standards for core subject areas while encouraging competency in problem solving and critical thinking skills;*
- *Utilizing technology to transform teaching and learning so students can find global opportunities for study or jobs and expand their capacity for celebrating diversity;*
- *Preparing our students for post-secondary education, or for the contemporary job market;*
- *Supporting the learning of students with special needs and prepare them for adult life;*
- *Attracting and retaining strong teachers and evaluating them by measuring their performance, effectiveness and innovation;*
- *Strategically monitoring and being responsible stewards for the Altoona school district, and always advocating for public education;*
- *Jointly planning and sharing resources with outside entities including local government, businesses, and non-profit groups;*
- *Engaging the community by providing unique learning and recreation opportunities for adults and encouraging partnerships between parents, teachers, students and community members.*

It is the Board's intent that the above statements will guide and influence the work of the District's leadership team, the formulation of the District's strategic priorities, and the formulation of short-term and long-term goals at all levels of leadership, programs, and operations.

The Board believes that one of the important functions of the District's leadership team is to successfully communicate and reinforce the District's vision and guiding principles throughout the school community.

Legal Reference: Wisconsin State Statute Sections 120.12, 120.13

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