


Standards of Practice



Because of the special trust associated with governing the Fort Worth ISD, members of the Board of Education commit to working together to achieve success. In order to provide outstanding leadership and better serve the children of our community, we, the members of the Board of Education, commit to the following Standards of Practice.

1. All of our decisions will be based upon what is good for children and what will benefit all children.
2. Our one and only agenda is the improvement of all students' learning and development, not just those in the districts we have been elected to represent.
3. We will follow the established policies and procedures of the Fort Worth ISD, and work on changing those that hinder our work on improvement of student learning.
4. We will focus on policy and outcomes and leave the day-to-day operations and the management of the District to the superintendent and her staff.
5. We commit to developing and maintaining a strategic plan, which includes defined success for the District and the establishment of appropriate goals for which we will hold the superintendent accountable.
6. We will respect the leadership roles of the board president, or presiding officer, and superintendent, and will support them in their efforts to lead the Board and the District.
7. Our relationships with each other will be based on courtesy, trust and respect; we will, as a governance team, follow the practice of issuing praise in public and providing criticism in private.
8. Although we may disagree on issues, we will listen for understanding, respect the ideas of others, and be united once final decisions are made.
9. We expect the Board president to remind each member of this team of their commitment to these Standards of Practice.





FORT WORTH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT



VISION

The Fort Worth Independent School District envisions a high performing learning organization in which all students achieve proficiency in rigorous standards of intellectual thought and knowledge.



MISSION

The mission of the Fort Worth Independent School District is to provide and support rigorous learning opportunities which result in successful completion of a quality high school experience for all students.



STRATEGIC GOALS

Goal 1: All students will learn at high levels of academic expectations, and the achievement gap will be eliminated.

Goal 2: All operations in the District will be efficient and effective.

Goal 3: Family involvement and community partnerships will be an integral part of the education of all children.











FORT WORTH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Core Beliefs



We Believe . . .

-  Equal access and opportunity to learn is the right of every student;
-  School curricula and instruction must be rigorous, relevant, engaging, and provide students with multiple options and opportunities for the future;
-  The ultimate measure of what is taught is what is learned;
-  Teachers are our most valuable resource, and the focus of all our efforts is to support teaching and learning;
-  Public education requires the active participation of parents and the community to obtain and maintain excellence;
-  The Fort Worth ISD community acknowledges, respects and appreciates diversity;
-  Safe and orderly community and school environments are essential to student health, wellness and academic success; and
-  The adequate and equitable provision and distribution of resources, a strong infrastructure that is both effective and efficient, and a system of accountability are essential to ensuring a high-performing educational system.

