The core of our democratic philosophy is an abiding belief in the worth and dignity of the individual. Therefore, we believe that:

Education should be equally available to all the children of all the people regardless of individual difference unless those behaviors interfere with the rights of others.

Each student should have the opportunity to acquire the necessary skills, knowledge, attitudes, and values to secure his/her own well being and to responsibly and reasonably contribute in the making of any decision, which will affect him/her and his/her community.

Education should be sufficiently broad and varied to meet the needs of all. It shall include a basic general education, such specialized education as shall challenge the abilities and interests of each student, and an opportunity to develop creative, artistic, and cultural appreciations.

The school should identify students who cannot be taught in the usual classroom situation and should provide leadership in bringing non-school community groups together to provide for the treatment and education of all identified students.

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