## **Beliefs**

The Andrew Jackson Elementary Magnet School family believe:

- 1.) All students can learn and student expectations for success are held to high standards.
  - Holds high expectation for all students.
- 2.) The school, family, and community must work together to establish a high performing learning culture that promotes a quality educational program for all students.
  - Foster collaboration among staff and stakeholders.
  - o Provides a clear purpose and direction.
- 3.) The primary focus of all decision making is guided by the learning needs of all students.
  - Provides a clear purpose and direction
  - Aligns policies and procedures to maintain a focus on achieving the school's goals for student learning.
  - Promoting the use of data driven decision-making process
- 4.) Students will acquire skills through a rigorous state and district aligned curriculum that is guided by our school's mission.
  - o Provides a clear purpose and direction.
  - Establishes a link between the beliefs, mission, and vision.
  - Meeting the individual needs of students by striving for a quality education for all students.
  - Achieving proficiency and beyond for all students.
- 5.) All students will achieve proficiency and beyond with instruction that fosters a wide range of interests, abilities, and attitudes to promote life-long learners.
  - Establish a link between belief, mission, and vision.
  - Meets the individual needs of students by striving for a quality education for all students.
  - Achieving proficiency and beyond for all students.
- 6.) Students learn best when actively engaged in the learning process and when they have appropriate opportunities for success.
  - Holds high expectation for all students.
  - Meets individual needs of students by striving for a quality education for all students.

- o Achieving proficiency and beyond for all students.
- 7.) Learning occurs in an environment that offers safety, security, love, and belonging; which is provided by parents, faculty, staff, and administration.
  - o Engages in adequate and appropriate internal and external communication.
  - o Fosters collaboration among staff and stakeholders.
- 8.) Each child is unique and has different modes of learning which include auditory, kinesthetic, visual, tactile, verbal or a combination of these.
  - Utilizes research-based information and data to drive decisions.
  - Meets the individual needs of students by striving for a quality education for all students.
  - Achieving proficiency and beyond for all students.
- 9.) Every child should be encouraged to develop a set of values, skills, and knowledge to enable him/her to grow socially, physically, intellectually, and psychologically to the best of his/her ability.
  - Establishes a link between the beliefs, mission, and vision.
  - Holds high expectation for all students.
- 10.) Achieving the school's mission and vision should be a collaborative effort by students, staff, administration and community.
  - o Foster collaboration among staff and stakeholders.
  - Establishes a link between the beliefs, mission, and vision.
  - o Promotes a High Performing learning culture which includes all students and stakeholders.
- 11.) It is important that each member of the learning community share in the decision making process as it relates to student achievement.
  - Engages in adequate and appropriate internal and external communication.
  - o Promoting the use of shared decision-making processes.
  - o Promoting a High Performing learning culture which includes all students and stakeholders.
- 12.) To ensure a quality education for all students, teachers will use data to drive instruction, research-based teaching strategies to meet individual needs, and federal, state and local polices to guide the day to day educational decisions.
  - Provides a clear purpose and direction
  - Utilizes research-based information and data to drive decisions.

- Aligns policies and procedures to maintain a focus on achieving the school's goals for student learning.
- o Achieving proficiency and beyond for all students.
- o Promoting the use of data driven decision making process.
- 13.) Students should be assessed in a variety of ways to determine if learning has occurred.
  - o Meets the individual needs of students by striving for a quality education for all students.
  - Achieves proficiency and beyond for all students.
- 14.) Academic and behavioral successes should be recognized and celebrated.
  - o Promoting a high performing learning culture which includes all students and stakeholders.
  - O Achieves proficiency and beyond for all students.

\*The entire learning community maintains an open line of communication with the community and other stakeholders in an effort to ensure that all information regarding student achievement is available.