

GUILFORD HIGH SCHOOL

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Guilford High School is to focus on learning in a rigorous academic learning community that is safe and respectful.

The vision of the Guilford High School community is that all individuals will develop the beliefs, skills and dispositions for lifelong learning and realize their fullest potential.

We believe that the goal of education is to help young people to assume a meaningful, responsible, and productive role in society. To achieve this goal students will:

- learn through rigorous programs that meet their diverse abilities, needs, aspirations and interests
- reach their highest capabilities in a climate where learning is a shared, mutually-accountable, data-driven collaboration among teachers, students, parents, and community
- understand their shared responsibility for their education
- develop habits of lifelong learning
- develop a respect for the uniqueness and accomplishments of themselves and others
- mature into independent, reasoning individuals who make responsible decisions, adapt to a changing world, and develop into productive and responsible citizens

ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS

To meet the demands of the global community students will:

1. demonstrate appropriate communication strategies by writing and speaking for a variety of purposes and audiences
2. demonstrate appropriate reading and listening skills for a variety of purposes
3. analyze and evaluate a variety of sources for reliability and credibility
4. apply effective strategies for problem solving by
 - a. gathering information
 - b. analyzing and interpreting data
 - c. thinking critically
 - d. communicating solutions
5. employ technology appropriately to facilitate learning, research, and communication

SOCIAL AND CIVIC EXPECTATIONS

To meet the demands of the global community students will:

1. understand and apply concepts of lifelong health and wellness
2. demonstrate an understanding of the rights and responsibilities of citizenship
3. fulfill community service requirements
4. participate in community activities beyond the social and civic requirements of Guilford High School
5. practice ethical behavior and take responsibility for their words and actions
6. act with tolerance, respect, courtesy and compassion