

**M.S.A.D. #12/R.S.U. #82 POLICY  
MISSION, VISION, CORE BELIEFS,  
ACADEMIC AND SOCIAL AND CIVIC EXPECTATIONS**

Mission

We educate, empower and challenge.

Vision

We meet the educational needs of all students, both in and beyond the classroom. We challenge each other to continuously improve. We are life-long learners. As empowered citizens, we are responsible and respectful leaders in the world. We reach our full potential.

Core Beliefs

- We are unique learners.
- All individuals can learn, want to learn, and are most successful when it is meaningful and relevant.
- High expectations of performance are expected of all; mistakes are inherent in learning.
- Clear learning goals are essential for successful learning.
- We learn best in a safe, healthy environment.
- Positive role models are necessary for continuous improvement.
- To be successful, Forest Hills School relies on support from staff, students, families and community.

**Academic Expectations**

- To assess the cultural, environmental, economic and political impacts of humans and their behavior on the world
- To read and write effectively
- To speak and listen effectively
- To analyze and evaluate sources critically and objectively

- To apply math skills in practical and theoretical situations
- To use the scientific method to solve everyday problems
- To be proficient in the use of information technology
- To demonstrate artistic knowledge and techniques
- To be physically fit and aware of healthy lifestyles

### **Social and Civic Expectations**

- To make responsible personal choices and set appropriate goals
- To demonstrate teamwork and leadership skills
- To be an aware, contributing, and responsible citizen
- To demonstrate respect and honor diversity

Legal Reference:

20-A MRSA, §§ 1001 et seq.; 4511.3, A

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