

Core Values Overview

Core Value	Characteristics
Student - Centered	<p>Every decision made and action taken in District/Building/Classroom revolves around providing <u>all</u> students with multiple opportunities to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reach their potential • Feel good about their learning/self • Explore/determine areas of interest • Participate in areas of interest
SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL (Staff, Students, Families, Community)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responsive – flexible • Accepting and meeting diverse needs • Encouraging risk-taking, questioning • Compassionate • Open and respectful dialogue • Optimistic
Continuous Improvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Never satisfied • Optimistic • Striving for excellence • Always looking for and creating opportunities • Openness to change • Able to create our own sense of urgency • Belief that growth is always possible • Not stuck in tradition
Progressive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognition that opportunities/needs change and there is a willingness to pursue educational situations through an integration of innovation, creativity and risk taking • Grounded in tradition while keeping an eye on the future • Maintaining best practices based on research
Collaborative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diverse representation on committees • Working together toward a common goal • Lowering barriers to communication & participation • Seek out help/rely on one another • It's okay to "fail", not be the expert • Proactive • Communicate openly & honestly. Working to create authenticity/rigor/engaging experiences for students • Seeking outside input & involvement • Teaching kids how to collaborate • Sharing knowledge, ideas, resources

Mission: The Pittsford Central School District community works collaboratively to inspire and prepare our students to be their best, do their best and make a difference in the lives of others.