

## **MISSION & CORE VALUES OF THE SHREWSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

### **MISSION**

The Shrewsbury Public Schools, in partnership with the community, will provide students with the skills and knowledge for the 21<sup>st</sup> century, an appreciation of our democratic tradition, and the desire to continue to learn throughout life.

### **CORE VALUE: RESPECT & RESPONSIBILITY**

All members of the school community will treat one another with consideration, integrity, and honesty. We honor each person's individuality, celebrate our community's diversity, and support school cultures of mutual acceptance and respect. We accept the responsibility to work hard and persevere in all that we do and to take responsibility for our actions.

### **CORE VALUE: COLLABORATION & COMMUNICATION**

All members of the school community accept shared responsibility for the learning of all students. Teaching and learning take place in collaborative school cultures that are based on trust, respect, and mutual accountability. Collaboration and effective communication with parents, town government, local businesses, and community members is foundational to our culture. In our schools students gain collaboration skills needed to become successful citizens, learners, and teammates in a global society.

### **CORE VALUE: COMMITMENT TO HIGH STANDARDS & EXPECTATIONS**

All members of the school community commit to upholding high standards and expectations for all students. We work to engage students in important learning through excellent teaching and we foster the belief that effective effort is the most important element of success. We prepare students for future success by supporting their capacity for using technology, thinking independently, solving problems, and learning throughout life.

### **CORE VALUE: EQUITY**

The school community strives to create opportunities for all students to achieve success. We provide all students with appropriate and rigorous curriculum and high-quality instruction that recognizes differences in needs and learning styles. We advocate for the resources necessary to support successful teaching and learning and we use our resources responsibly for the maximum benefit of students.

