EVERY STUDENT IS
prepared & empowered:
• Pursuing high academic standards
• Empowered to achieve in school, life, and work
• A productive citizen of the city and the world
• Respected and respectful of others
• Personally connected to teachers, staff and the community
• Nurturing curiosity, creativity, empathy, and personal wellbeing

OUR VISION
All learners will be fully prepared and succeed in a diverse and ever-changing world

OUR MISSION
The Portland Public Schools are responsible for ensuring a challenging, relevant, and joyful education that empowers every learner to make a difference in the world. We build relationships among families, educators, and the community to promote the healthy development and academic achievement of every learner.

OUR CORE VALUES
High Expectations
We are all expected and enabled to meet high standards

Creativity & Innovation
We embrace all modes of learning and encourage experimentation, ingenuity, and boldness

Individuality
We respect and value each person as an individual

Community
We are better together, and we support one another

Courage
We commit to always confronting inequity

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EQUITY
Eliminate factors that contribute to variable rates of student success and participation; adopt targeted practices that successfully promote equity; strengthen family engagement in schools; and forge partnerships to bring in resources, experience, and talents of the whole community to advance equity for all students.

ACHIEVEMENT
Develop a growth mindset to help students embrace rigorous academic work, persist in the face of challenges, view effort as a path to mastery, learn from feedback, and find inspiration in the success of others.

PEOPLE
Provide structured professional development to improve instructional practices and student outcomes; create conditions that attract highly skilled and diverse staff; and promote talent development, internal mobility, and retention.

WHOLE STUDENT
Advance a well-rounded educational experience to build character; encourage civic participation; stimulate creativity and artistic expression; promote mental and physical wellness; awaken appreciation of the natural world; and foster global competency.

outcomes

92% of students will graduate college and career ready.

95% of students will feel valued and connected to a caring adult at school.

95% of staff members are satisfied and engaged in the work they do.

50% Reduction in academic achievement and opportunity gaps.