

NORTH COUNTRY SUPERVISORY UNION

...committed to the development of Character, Competence, Creativity and Community

LEARNING BELIEFS

Learning takes place in a culture that fosters...

**Growth Mindset ❖ Curiosity ❖ Perseverance ❖ Relevance ❖ Mutual Respect
Feedback & Reflection ❖ Instructional Access ❖ Equity ❖ Diversity ❖ Personal Responsibility
Shared Leadership ❖ Individual & Collective Accomplishments ❖ Community Partnerships**

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Learners participate in experiences that/to...

**Support Personal Pathways ❖ Include Problem-Based Projects ❖ Are Academically Rigorous
Make Inter-Disciplinary Connections ❖ Contain Experiential Discovery ❖ Utilize Transferable Skills
Encourage Student Voice ❖ Incorporate Technology ❖ Involve Physical Activity ❖ Create & Perform
Engage The Community ❖ Occur In The Natural World ❖ Happen Anywhere & Any Time**

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Learners succeed by becoming...

**Caring, Kind & Grateful ❖ Confident & Self-Directed ❖ Honest & Fair ❖ Independent Thinkers
Innovative Problem Solvers ❖ Academically Accomplished ❖ Effective Communicators & Collaborators
Technologically Skilled ❖ Globally Aware ❖ Contributing Citizens ❖ Respectful of Our Environment
Physically, Emotionally & Socially Healthy ❖ Appreciative Of & Skilled In The Visual & Performing Arts**

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DESIGN FOR LEARNING

2015 – 2018

DESIRED OUTCOME: Learners will develop their character, competence, creativity and sense of community.

GOAL: All schools will provide a curriculum that advance outcomes as articulated in the NCSU Commitments.

Objectives:

1. Each school will deliver a comprehensive curriculum to achieve proficiency based on current standards.
2. Each school will establish curricula to ensure instructional access tailored to individual needs and interests.
3. Each school will ensure curricula that include the visual and performing arts.
4. Each school will establish curricula related to transferable skills.

GOAL: All schools will provide learning opportunities and utilize instructional practices in accordance with NCSU Commitments.

Objectives:

1. Each school will utilize the NCSU Instructional Framework.
2. Each school will incorporate project/problem-based learning.
3. Each school will ensure access to a comprehensive continuum of supports for all learners.
4. Each school will establish a more customized approach to learning and support multiple pathways.

GOAL: All schools will utilize effective assessment, grading practices, feedback and use of data.

Objectives:

1. Each school will implement current best practices for assessment and reporting of student learning outcomes.
2. Each school will update a comprehensive assessment plan including the use of electronic portfolios.
3. Each school will develop practices of student goal setting, self-assessment and student-led conferences.
4. Each school will use qualitative data to guide reflection around the review of programs and practices.

GOAL: All schools will create a positive learning environment.

Objectives:

1. Each school will implement research-based practices that advance positive behaviors.
2. Each school will develop strategies to address character development.
3. Each school will promote authentic student voice and leadership.
4. Each school will increase parent and community engagement.