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#### 2132 SCHOOL DISTRICT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

We expect the children of Mendham Township Schools:

- 1. To acquire the basic academic skills needed to achieve their immediate and long range goals. These skills shall include, but not be limited to, the ability to think critically, obtain information, solve problems and communicate clearly, especially as they relate to their role as a producer and consumer in today's world.
- 2. To develop an understanding of their own worth, abilities, and potential.
- 3. To learn the importance of self-discipline and respect for others, to value and respect individual differences, and to demonstrate understanding of ethical principles.
- 4. To gain an appreciation for the arts, to recognize their particular fields of interests, and to develop these interests.
- 5. To achieve an understanding of their physical development and to acquire good health habits.
- 6. To become effective and responsible citizens of their school, community, and State through knowledge and understanding of American and world cultures.

Pupils shall learn to use their minds well, so that they may be prepared for responsible citizenship, further learning, and productive employment in our modem economy.

- 1. The district shall provide pupils with experiences in higher level thinking, information processing, the responsibilities of citizenship, and employability skills.
- 2. All pupils shall demonstrate competency in the skills identified in the cross-content workplace readiness standards.
- 3. All pupils shall demonstrate respect for racial, cultural, ethnic and religious diversity.



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All pupils shall increase their achievement levels in science and mathematics to contribute to our country's ability to compete academically with all other countries of the world.

- 1. The district shall revise its curriculum offerings in science and mathematics according to State standards.
- 2. The district shall provide staff training in the teaching of mathematics and science at grades Kindergarten through eight to increase teachers' understanding of and ability to teach these subjects.

Every adult shall be literate and possess the knowledge and skills necessary to compete in a global economy and exercise the rights and responsibilities of citizenship.

- 1. Adult education programs may be increased in conjunction with other local districts, community colleges and other educational agencies, to provide greater opportunities for adults to continue learning for work skills, leisure pursuits, intellectual and cultural growth and to assist their children in learning.
- 2. Business and industry may be encouraged to collaborate with educational agencies to design and increase access to educational programs for adults, such as flex time, distance learning and interactive technology.

District schools shall be free of drugs and violence and offer a safe, disciplined environment conducive to learning.

- 1. The district shall develop partnerships with parents to establish the responsibilities of each to create and maintain safe and healthy educational environments for all pupils.
- 2. The district shall provide programs and staffing to deal with pupils at risk.
- 3. The school and community shall expand their cooperative efforts to create drug and violence-free environments.
- 4. All pupils shall develop a positive view of self and learn to use effective interpersonal skills.

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