Echo School District 5R

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Educational Philosophy

The district recognizes that education is a shared responsibility. Only when children, parents, schools, and communities work together will optimum learning opportunities exist. Therefore, our schools will use all available resources to develop each student's intellectual, physical, moral, emotional and social growth so that he/she will become a contributing member of a rapidly changing world.

In our democratic society the rights, privileges, dignity, integrity and personal worth of the individual are highly cherished. We believe that each person, regardless of race, color, gender, creed, economic status or ability is a resource of our nation and that is the function of the school to develop that resource as far as possible.

Democracy implies privileges, rights and responsibilities. We believe students have inherent human rights balanced by the responsibility for living and working harmoniously in the school community. The school provides opportunities for working with others, sharing responsibilities, developing initiative and assuming accountability for one's own decisions.

By providing these opportunities, the school gives each child an introduction to the knowledge and understanding needed for good citizenship and enriched living.

We believe all students can learn and we are committed to accommodating individual differences and learning styles. With this commitment in mind, the district dedicates it's resources to the development and maintenance of balanced programs which focus sharply on the individual worth, dignity and self-esteem of each student.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 332.107