MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Rock City Elementary School is to provide a safe and strong academic setting in which children will be instilled with a love of lifelong learning, a respect for themselves and others, and a dedication to meet the challenges of the future through a combined partnership of home, school and community. Our motto of REACH FOR YOUR BEST will help challenge each child to develop their unique potential.

SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY

Rock City Elementary School believes that education involves the development of the whole child, intellectually, socially, emotionally, aesthetically and physically. As such, the learning process develops both character and ability.

By providing a challenging program that recognizes, respects and attends to individual differences, every student is capable of personal growth and achievement. The time and instructional approaches may vary to permit all children to learn at their own rate according to their unique needs and ability.

As the development of a positive self-concept is essential for a fulfilling and constructive life, the school will strive to provide each student with interesting learning experiences leading to academic and personal success. Personal strengths will be developed and areas of weakness supported and assisted.

These learning experiences will endeavor to instill a love of learning, to provide the skills necessary to acquire, process and express information, to think critically and creatively, to contribute to developing self-discipline and independence and to enhance the self-esteem of each student. Each child must be prepared to succeed in a changing world by striving to do their best in order to grow towards their potential.

Developing appropriate learning attitudes and skills depends upon the individual commitment, self-discipline and responsibility of the learner. Parents and teachers working together as partners will increase the likelihood of such success for each child.

The School as Community

Somewhere, there are people to whom we can speak with passion, without having the words catch in our throats.

Somewhere a circle of hands will open to receive us,

eyes will light up as we enter,

Voices will celebrate us whenever we come into our own power,

Community means strength that joins our strength to do the work that needs to be done.

Arms that hold us when we falter

A circle of healing – A circle of friends.

Someplace where we can be free.

Starhawk, Dreaming the Dark