INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS

The Board of Education (the Board) supports the mission of the Bethlehem Central School District (the District) to educate and prepare all students to reach their potential, discover their purpose, and be engaged community members. The Board’s goals for District students include the following:

Academics
Instructional and assessment practices that are aligned to a strong and relevant curriculum.

- Supports the development of problem-solving skills, both with academic content and life skills
- Prepares students to become actively engaged in their communities
- Encourages and supports culturally responsive teaching
- Ensures all students graduate with the skills, knowledge and attitudes to pursue productive and satisfying lives

Character
Positive character traits are essential to becoming contributing members of society.

- Teaches and models positive behaviors and attitudes in all aspects of our learning environment
- Ensures equity and cultural responsiveness for all students
- Encourages all students to develop passions outside of the classroom
- Develops in each student an understanding of his/her unique character strengths

Community
Strengthening family, school and community partnerships through transparent communication.

- Are welcomed and encouraged
- Promote an atmosphere where partners develop common goals
- Prepare students with the skills to participate in their community
- Support the success of students and staff
- Advocate for equal access and opportunities for all students and families

Wellness
Enhancing social-emotional wellness and balance for students and staff by supportive active healthy lifestyles and promoting positive behavior.

- Promotes connected relationships in the school community
- Fosters self-care, a healthy lifestyle and mindfulness among students and staff
• Maintains an environment that is physically and emotionally safe

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