

Core Values, Mission, Vision, and Strategic Priorities

We Value:

- The academic achievement and social development of all children.
- An environment conducive to learning clean, safe, respectful, and positive.
- The involvement of parents in the education of their children.
- Quality teachers and administrators who are competent, passionate and put children first.
- Accountability in all things and the use of sound, accurate data in decision-making.

Our Mission:

To provide each child with the education and the social skills needed to be productive citizens.

Our Vision:

Our students will experience high academic achievement; be prepared for post-secondary education or the workforce upon graduation; and have a positive impact on the growth and development of Lauderdale County.

Articulation of Core Values

Children: We place the best interest of children at the center of all we do.

Academic Achievement & Social Development: We strive to ensure that each child achieves academically, develops socially and matures into a responsible young adult.

Parental Involvement: We welcome and respect parents as our partners in their child's education. **The Learning Environment:** We work to create in each school an environment that is clean, safe, respectful, positive and conducive to learning.

Quality Teachers and Administrators: We expect teachers and administrators to be competent, passionate and focused on children.

Accountability: We pledge to be accountable for results at all levels and to use sound, accurate data to drive all decisions.

Strategic Priorities 2016-2020

<u>Priority 1: Academic Achievement and Social</u> <u>Development</u>

Goal 1: Increase literacy across all grade levels

Goal 2: Increase numeracy across all grade levels

Goal 3: Increase post-secondary/career readiness Goal 4: Increase the understanding and focus of

positive social development skills

Priority 2: Family and Community Engagement

Goal 1: Increase community awareness of educational priorities and accomplishments

Goal 2: Each school will increase opportunities for positive family/community involvement.

Priority 3: Budget/Operations

Goal 1: Lauderdale County will maximize and align resources in all areas of budget/operations.

Priority 4: Capital Outlay

Goal 1: Lauderdale County will define capital outlay priorities and develop a long- and short- range plan for meetings those needs.

Priority 5: Political Advocacy

Goal 1: The board will communicate with its legislative bodies and individual elected officials to advocate for local education concerns.