

Guiding Principles

In the Grosse Pointe Public School System, students are our first priority. We are committed to the principles of:

Collaboration

- Working together (each other, other schools, community at-large, other districts)
- Producing something larger than could have been accomplished if done alone
- Embracing the ideas of others

Compassion

- Caring for others
- Empathizing with others
- Understanding
- Forgiving
- Being open-minded
- Being an up-stander not bystander

Embracing Diversity

- Celebrating the unique backgrounds of students and staff
- Accepting human differences
- Using multiple instructional approaches to meet the needs of all students

Innovation

- 21st Century learning (best practices)
- Being progressive – leading not reacting
- Looking for creative solutions to problems at every level
- Willingness to attempt something new/different

Integrity

- Focusing on the main thing – kids!
- Being honest and transparent
- Respecting self and others
- Doing the right thing even when no one is looking
- Taking responsibility of actions and results
- Following through on the things you say you will do

Global Awareness

- Thinking globally while acting locally
- Being environmentally conscious
- Being technologically savvy
- Being culturally connected – reaching out to others who are different
- Being cognizant of world events
- Being aware of the world's people

Perseverance

- *Never* giving up
- Continually striving to improve/achieve at a higher level
- Overcoming challenges
- Never being afraid to try for fear of failure
- Maintaining a “growth” mindset