



Winchester Public Schools
Mission Statement
Special Education
Learning knows no bounds

The mission of the Winchester Public Schools Special Education Department , in collaboration and consultation with building based teams, is to help students understand their learning differences and develop skills and compensatory strategies in order to become independent learners. As a department, we strive to foster collaborative and cooperative relationships, respect for individual differences, develop a sense of health and emotional well-being and the maintenance of a purposeful and rigorous academic program. We want our students to gain an understanding of their own learning style so that they can learn to advocate for themselves. Special Education staff work in a collaborative manner to develop ways to modify curriculum and assessment practices while maintaining high expectations. As a district we promote 'best practice' with inclusion for all. Our goal is to present each student with challenging but attainable expectations, and develop appropriate ways of assessing what students have learned.