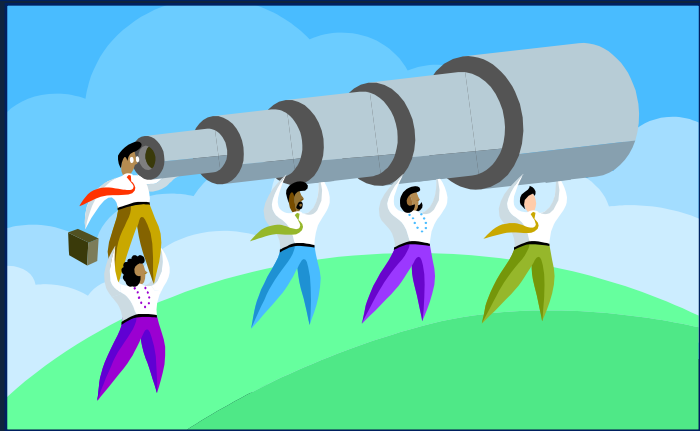


Bolton Public Schools

Bolton 2020 Vision

The universe in which our children must compete and succeed has been rapidly transformed by groundbreaking and rapidly evolving technologies...

Tony Wagner, The Global Achievement Gap



Core Values and Beliefs

The Bolton Public Schools community collaborates to encourage learners to become ethical citizens who are innovative, influential leaders in their world.

We believe that, through a Bolton Public Schools education, students evolve as:

- Collaborative, active participants in their education
- Models of respect, compassion, integrity, and discipline
- Protectors of their environment
- Investors in their community
- Innovators in their workplace and beyond
- Explorers of creative solutions
- Leaders in an interdependent society

These core values and beliefs are based on input from students, teachers, parents and community members.

The Bolton Public Schools is resolved that – as a school system that prides itself as a high performing organization – we will, in partnership with the community of Bolton, continue to progress. We are committed to progress that is predicated on sustained self-assessment. Shaping the destiny of our children requires a commitment to action that is responsible, respectful, and vigorous, as well as a resolution to base the conclusions we draw on the immediate and future needs of the students of our community.

Bolton 2020 Vision Student Outcomes



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Expectations of student learning in *all* learning areas:

Effective Oral and Written Communication

- Based on independent reading and/or research synthesizing a variety of sources, students will articulate thoughts and ideas effectively using oral, written, and presentation skills.
- Students will communicate with focus and purpose.
- Students will express ideas clearly and effectively to communicate within and across cultures.

Critical Thinking and Problem Solving

- Students will develop meaningful questions to guide inquiry.
- Students will create, refine, analyze, and evaluate original and innovative ideas.
- Students will apply abstract knowledge to solve problems and develop and execute solutions.

Collaboration

- Students will work effectively and respectfully in productive teams that represent diverse perspectives.
- Students will assume shared responsibility for collaborative work and will value the individual contributions made by each team member.
- Students will seek opportunities to collaborate with others in personal, work, and community contexts.

Leadership and Innovation

- Students will inspire others by demonstrating integrity and ethical behavior with the interest of the larger community in mind.
- Students will demonstrate leadership skills by taking the initiative to solve problems or by seeking better solutions.
- Students will reflect on the successes and mistakes that comprise leadership and innovation.

Accessing and Analyzing Information

- Students will access and analyze information in order to discern new challenges and opportunities.
- Students will evaluate information, media, and technology critically and competently.
- Students will use, adapt to, and process rapidly changing sources of information and technology.