

Superintendent's Goals 2009-2010

Transylvania County Schools will meet and exceed the goals as set forth by the Transylvania County Board of Education and North Carolina for:

- Globally competitive students
- 21st Century professionals
- Healthy and responsible students
- Innovation
- Governance and support

To that end, I will develop and promote leadership to address all strategies through:

- Conversation (communication);
- Community (relationships); and
- Credibility (honesty and caring).

Strategies and action will be filtered through a community lens with our students as the main focus. This focus includes the beliefs that:

- All children learn differently, but all can learn;
- Students will learn the value of community and place;
- Students, parents and the community will feel pride in their schools;
- Students will know that their teachers, administrators and staff care about them;
- Our schools will be *part* of the community and not merely *in* the community;
- Children are our most valued and protected resource;
- Respect is mutual, deserved and earned;
- We will improve learning;
- Students will be successful in education and in life; and
- We are here to help them succeed.

In order to facilitate these goals, I believe that all we do currently must be open to constructive criticism and community input, even if this means a restructuring of how we do business and how services and supports are positioned.

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