



OUSD's CORE BELIEF STATEMENTS

In efforts to work toward our District mission – Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) will build a Full Service Community District focused on high academic achievement while serving the whole child, eliminating inequity, and providing each child with excellent teachers, every day– the OUSD Board of Education identified, via community-wide engagements, the following Core Belief Statements:

We Believe...

- That every student should learn in a positive and safe learning environment.
- In the ability of every student to thrive in school and reach their full potential - and are committed to ensuring that they achieve college, career and community success in the 21st century.
- In celebrating the diversity of our students with respect to race, culture, heritage, exceptional needs, gender and sexual orientation; committing to giving each child what they need; teaching them with high expectations, and supporting them to find joy and success in their education.
- In full service community schools that - in addition to providing high quality education - act as an integral part of the health and wellness of our neighborhoods, offering lifelong learning opportunities and support for our students and community members.
- That students are most successful when all of us - students, families, educators and community members from all backgrounds and neighborhoods - can meaningfully and equitably participate in making shared decisions and improving conditions at the district level, school site or in the community.
- In the fair and transparent management of our resources in order to ensure the success of all current and future students, and are committed to seeking additional resources