



Current Mission/Vision Statements

Current Mission

As the center of a small, uniquely engaged community, The School District of Jenkintown is committed to providing a safe and nurturing environment with diverse, challenging learning opportunities for all students to acquire the motivation, knowledge and skills to achieve academic excellence while competing in and contributing to a rapidly changing global society.

Current Vision

Jenkintown Schools foster academic, social, and emotional growth of all students within a small, nurturing community grounded in tradition. We cultivate character, encourage participation, celebrate learning, and inspire minds to achieve personal excellence through effort and creative exploration. Our students will thrive in an academically challenging environment that values diversity, respect and responsibility. Our students will become lifelong learners, creative problem solvers, critical thinkers, and effective communicators. The School District of Jenkintown is a place where personal relationships provided by the small setting encourage a cooperative spirit, shared respect and responsibility, support for each other and a commitment to education that enables students to meet the challenging expectations of our global community. The district is creatively proactive and responds to the changing demands in education and society. Authentic, relevant and exciting standards-based learning permeates each classroom. Diverse learning takes place through a variety of experiences that includes community service, participation in global research projects, fine and applied arts, self-directed learning, expanded partnerships with businesses, colleges and universities, all of which is facilitated by the teacher. High expectations for students exceed those expressed by state and national standards. Technology is completely infused into the learning process. Students learn through synchronous and asynchronous activities. Through technology, cultural sensitivity and expanded world language skills, students are problem solving and discussing issues with the global community. Parents have access to current and accurate records of standards-based student data and curriculum, providing parents with real-time information about their child's development. The School District of Jenkintown is the educational, cultural and recreational center of our area. Within this community of care, we all take pride in our overall wellness, sustainable environment, and celebrate the accomplishments of our peers. Pride in ones school color continues to be a source of excitement, spirit and identity with the past, present and future.

January 2024

Final Version of Revised Mission

The School District of Jenkintown cultivates a safe, inclusive, and dynamic learning community that embraces diversity, nurtures individual growth, and empowers students to excel academically and beyond the classroom while preparing them to thrive in an ever-evolving global society.

Final Version of Revised Vision

We are dedicated to advancing a culture of innovation, collaboration, and personal excellence, where every learner is inspired to reach their full potential and become productive citizens and lifelong contributors to their community and a changing world.



Alternatives Developed Summer 2023

Alternative 1:

Mission

The School District of Jenkintown provides a safe and inclusive environment that embraces the diversity of our students and offers engaging learning opportunities which sets the foundation for lifelong learning in an ever-changing global society.

Vision

The School District of Jenkintown is committed to engaging all students with an educational foundation and intellectual curiosity to successfully compete in an ever-changing global society.

Alternative 2:

Mission

The School District of Jenkintown endeavors to facilitate an environment where all learners can contribute freely, explore endlessly, and grow exponentially as productive citizens shaping tomorrow

Vision

We are committed to establishing a safe, inclusive community where all learners thrive, belong, and flourish.

Alternative 3:

Mission

The School District of Jenkintown celebrates tradition, welcomes all, and drives positive change and meaningful experiences for all learners.

Vision:

Cultivate educational, social-emotional, and interpersonal growth throughout diverse academic and co-curricular experiences.

Alternative 4:

Mission: The School District of Jenkintown fosters a dynamic learning community that embraces diversity, nurtures individual growth, and empowers students to excel academically while preparing them to thrive in an ever-evolving global society.

Vision: We are dedicated to cultivating a culture of innovation, collaboration, and personal excellence, where every learner is inspired to reach their full potential and become lifelong contributors to a changing world.



Feedback from October Meeting

Alternative 4: (ORIGINAL) Selected overwhelmingly via feedback below

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Vision: We are dedicated to cultivating a culture of innovation, collaboration, and personal excellence, where every learner is inspired to reach their full potential and become lifelong contributors to a changing world.

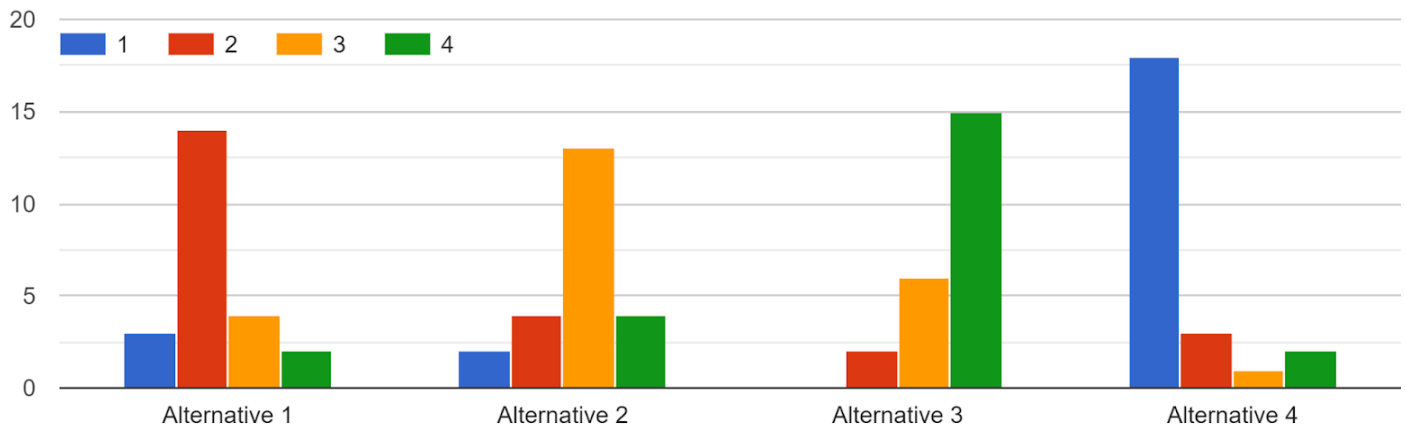
Additional Revisions based on feedback

Mission: The School District of Jenkintown cultivates a *safe, inclusive*, and dynamic learning community that embraces diversity, nurtures individual growth, and empowers students to excel academically *and co-curricularly* while preparing them to thrive in an ever-evolving global society.

Vision: We are dedicated to *advancing* a culture of innovation, collaboration, and personal excellence, where every learner is inspired to reach their full potential and become productive citizens and lifelong contributors to their community and a changing world.

Revision: The School District of Jenkintown cultivates a safe, inclusive, and dynamic learning community that embraces diversity, nurtures individual growth, and empowers students to excel academically **and beyond the classroom** while preparing them to thrive in an ever-evolving global society.

When considering the MISSION statements provided, please rank order the MISSION statements based on your preference:

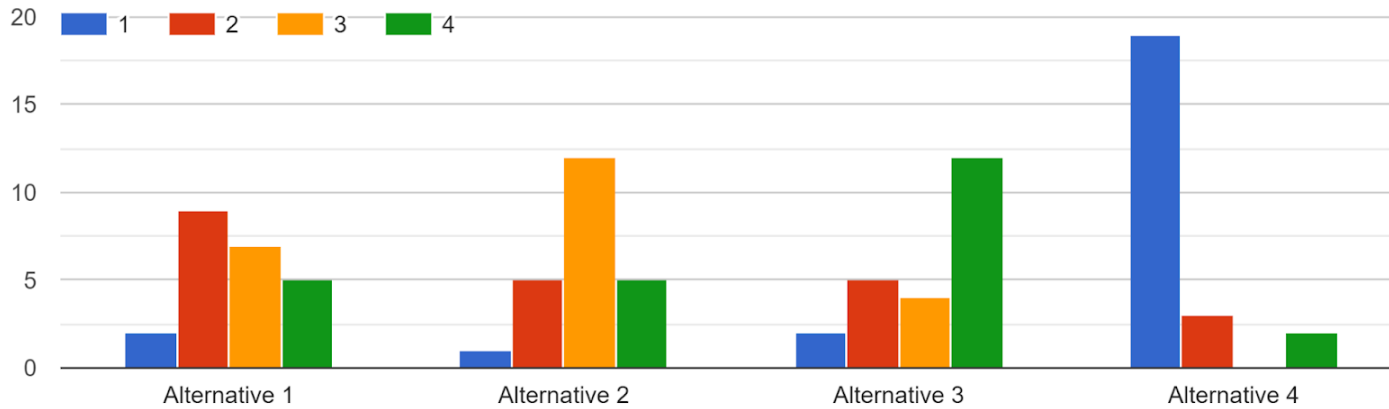




- More safety within the mission statement
- just keeping it simple
- Add safety
- Mention tradition
- Nothing
- Add in the words tradition, co-curricular
- Change the work foster
- Add “safety” from alternative #1
- Combine language from the other three
- I like the idea of combining some of these mission statement and vision statements
- None...like good.
- This has strong wording.
- Adding a statement about safety
- Add some of the safety component from # 1 and something about respect, CARES...
- Replace the word “foster”
- Perhaps some mention of a strong foundation from which to build and embrace personal growth from.
- Saying excel academically doesn't apply to all students. Successes can be different based on ability.
- Safe environment
- We considered changing the word 'foster' in the Mission to 'cultivating' and the word 'cultivating' in the Vision to 'advancing'.
- I like the openness of my first choice (alternative 2), but it needs more details. Maybe combining Alternative 2 and 4.
- I would combine all of alt 4 with aspects of alt 1.



When considering the VISION statements provided, please rank order the VISION statements based on your preference:



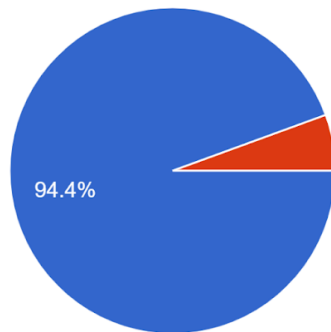
- Add “productive citizens” from #2
- Combine
- Again combining
- Change compete to contribute.
- Change the cultivate/culture clash!
- Rework the “cultivating” phrase
- I liked the simplicity, and I'm not sure I would complicate it.
- This feels the most comprehensive on all areas of students when considering them as a holistic entity.
- Meaningful experiences
- Personal excellence is a great goal, but seems unrealistic. Would be good to combine with some elements of Alternative 2.
- Include the safety and inclusion points of alt 2 in to the alt 4 vision



Mission/Vision Feedback at end of November Meeting

The revised Mission based on feedback from the committee is: Mission: The School District of Jenkintown cultivates a safe, inclusive, and dynamic... them to thrive in an ever-evolving global society.

18 responses



- I support this draft version being the final version.
- I do not support this draft version being finalized.

The “co-curricularly” is clunky but I understand the separation from academic piece. to stay true to it.

Maybe come up with a different way to say co-curricularly?

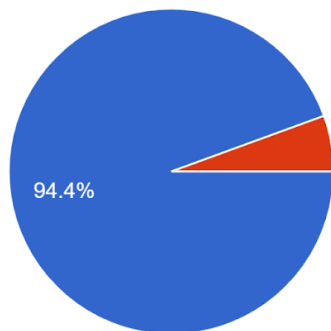
Keeping it short is more accessible

Is there another word that we can use besides co-curricularly, I support the concept but the word could flow better?

Clarification about the meaning of co-curricularly means in this context.

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- to stay true to it.
- I like the Vision but could it be better... encourage. Diversity