

Dixon Middle School

2012-2015

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*We believe with high expectations and hard work,
our students can achieve anything.*



School Executive's Message: *Building Independent Thinkers*

At Dixon Middle School, we are building on the foundation of learning that has been set in the primary grades. In addition, we are focusing on the application of knowledge so our students are prepared to be creative, independent, critical thinkers in an increasingly complex global economy.

Key Areas of Focus for 2012-2015

- Professional Learning Communities
- Science initiatives
- Reduce bullying and misbehavior
- Becoming more engaged with our community
- Maintain a healthy, safe and clean work environment

Key Challenges to Address for 2012-2015

- A culture of collaboration needs to be established
- Teachers need additional support to become true PLCs
- Increased need for technology
- Infrastructure for technology and learning
- Time, money, apathy, and complacency

Anticipated Outcomes of 2012-2015 Strategic Plan

With this new Strategic Plan, our anticipated outcome is the transformation of the school through the Professional Learning Community model. Teachers will collaborate about curriculum, instruction, assessment, and data. This will aid them in making informed, cohesive decisions about the learners in their classrooms. By modeling the type of learner we wish to see, and through high expectations and hard work, will enable every child to grow to their fullest potential and become creative, independent and critical thinkers.