USD 208 District Mission & Vision

Mission Statement:

"The mission of USD 208, is to provide our students the opportunity to acquire the necessary skills to be college or career ready when they graduate by providing a rigorous K-12 academic program and/or the related training essential to begin a successful career."

Vision:

We will accomplish this mission by providing a safe learning environment with dedicated, collaborative, professional staff that deliver college and career ready curriculum. We envision a district in which staff

- Unites to achieve a common purpose and clear goals;
- Uses curriculum that is aligned with college and career readiness;
- Works and learns together in collaborative teams;
- Uses research-based instruction that is flexible, intentional, and engaging;
- Uses a system to evaluate and provide results showing student growth; and
- Promotes a climate and culture of efficacy in which all staff and leaders believe all students can meet their learning goals.

We Believe: (Action statements)

Partnership with parents and community:

Parents and community will encourage daily school attendance and participation in extracurricular activities. Parents and guardians will provide a safe place to do homework. The community will support classroom learning by providing educational incentives and work-related experiences that reinforce the district mission.

Partnership with higher education:

Through a partnership with community colleges, universities, and technical schools; provide students with curricular programs that allow for the acquisition of an industry recognized certification or a degree program upon graduation from high school.

Assisting All students with whole child support:

The USD 208 educational team is committed to providing all students support for both academic and social needs to enhance their success in meeting the goals in their Student Learning Plans.

Employability/Soft Skills:

Each graduate will be able to communicate effectively through reading, writing, listening and speaking. Each graduate will be skilled in critical thinking by being decisive, able to solve problems, reasoning, and through creative thinking. Graduates will also demonstrate personal qualities such as responsibility, have self-esteem, be sociable, and be able to access resources.

Career interest development:

Students will engage in exploration and career preferences relevant to student's interest leading to post-secondary success. Career preferences will be listed in their individual student learning plan as career goals.