Social Circle City Schools
Board of Education Strategic Plan
2015-2020

VISION STATEMENT
Social Circle City Schools will be a premier school system that provides a world-class education to ensure that all students are college and career ready with the knowledge, skills, and values to lead productive lives in a changing world.

MISSION STATEMENT
The mission of Social Circle City Schools is to provide a premier education to all students.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

1. All students can learn.
2. Schools, parents, students, and the community are partners in the work of educating our students and must use effective communication to ensure the success of all students.
3. High standards of performance are expected of all students, staff,and the Board of Education.
4. Teaching should reflect the most current research on student learning.
5. All learning should be meaningful to students, should require high levels of thinking, and should prepare students for life in a global society.
6. Teachers should continuously reflect on effective and innovative practices while investigating opportunities for professional growth.
7. Assessment is a tool for improving instruction.
8. Schools must maintain an atmosphere of safety, mutual respect, trust, cooperation, and tolerance for differences.
9. Technology is vital to the educational success of all students and should support and enhance all components of the educational process.
10. Hiring, retaining, and training of the best staff possible is paramount to student success.
11. Issues of wellness and appreciation of diversity affect student achievement.
12. Students who are involved in school and community activities that further develop their talents and interests are more likely to achieve academically and to graduate on time.

FOCUS AREAS

1. Student Achievement: Enhance instructional systems and career pathways that maximize achievement for all students.

2. Parent/Community Engagement: Engage the community and strengthen partnerships to support student learning.

3. School Climate and Safety: Ensure that all schools and facilities are inviting, orderly, and safe.

4. Teacher Quality: Recruit, develop, and retain a highly qualified workforce that continuously sharpens instructional practices and skills.

5. Technology: Expand access of instructional technology for student learning and efficient/effective system processes.