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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>BLOOMSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT</b><br/><b>Policy Manual</b></p> |
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Section:                   PROGRAMS

Title:                     PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION

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**101. PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION**

- .1    A democratic society is founded on the worth of each individual and the value of his/her unique contributions to that society. The Board is committed to providing a system of education that will offer equal educational opportunities in accordance with a student’s interests, abilities, and needs consistent with available resources.
  
- .2    The Board, as the agent responsible for the education of the children of the Bloomsburg Area School District, directs the development of a planned program of learning which meets the needs of the students in the district.
  
- .3    The mission of the Bloomsburg Area School District is to prepare its students to become contributing, responsible citizens and life-long learners with the ability to adapt and to succeed in a competitive world.
  
- .4    In the Bloomsburg Area School District, excellence is our goal; therefore, we believe:
  - .41    All students can learn
  - .42    Students learn differently
  - .43    All students are unique and need understanding and encouragement
  - .44    All people have worth
  - .45    Positive learning promotes positive self-esteem
  - .46    All people have a right to a safe and positive learning environment
  - .47    Success promotes success

- .48 High expectations promote achievement
- .49 The opportunity for a quality education should be provided for each student
- .410 Education is shared responsibility among students, parents, faculty, administrators, school board members and community
- .411 Learning is a life-long process