

Irving School's Mission and Vision

On August 26, the Irving staff met to write a school mission statement. Mrs. June Kriviskey, an experienced group facilitator, led the staff in the task of creating a statement of our central purpose, or why we come to school each day. Keeping in mind the District's mission statement, concerns of parents, and the work of experts in the field of school improvement, the staff created the following statement:

The mission of Irving School is to help all members of our school community realize and achieve their fullest potential in a rapidly changing world by promoting active learning, respectful actions, and critical thinking in a secure, supportive, child-centered environment.

Our process also involved creating a vision of what we want our school to become as we fulfill our mission. The staff created this statement of the school we will work to create:

We envision a school in which staff, students, parents, and community:

- **Work together to expand knowledge and refine skills to support achievement of all learners through best teaching practices and strategies;**
- **Employ the strengths of all members through deliberate and continual collaboration;**
- **Help students learn respect, responsibility, compassion, and commitment from the clear expectations and positive models of the school community;**
- **Create a learning environment that is safe, stimulating, and fun.**

The staff is proud of the work we did on August 26. We look forward to working with our students, parents, and community to fulfill our mission and make our vision a reality.