

Great Expectations for Country Lane Intermediate

The Great Expectations is an eclectic approach to teaching that encompasses the very best of what is known about teaching today. Drawing from many learning theories, teachers do whatever it takes to teach students through an interrogated holistic method. Students become self-directed learners, productive citizens, effective communicators, critical thinkers, and cooperative contributors in the classroom as well as in society.

Our goals are to ensure success for all learners, to build positive self-esteem, to develop a climate of mutual respect, to have high expectations for all learners, to believe in the ability of individual to learn, to provide a well-rounded education for every learner, and to renew the joy of teaching.

Eight Expectations for Living

Educators helping students achieve excellence guide them in adhering to the following expectations:

- We will value one another as unique and special individuals.
- We will not laugh at or make fun of a person's mistakes nor use sarcasm or putdowns.
- We will use good manners, saying "please," "thank you," and "excuse me" and allow others to go first.
- · We will cheer each other to success.
- We will help one another whenever possible.
- · We will recognize every effort and applaud it.
- We will encourage each other to do our best.
- We will practice virtuous living, using the Life Principles