

Jacob Hiatt Magnet School

Core Values for Literacy Education

Teachers Will:

- Establish a vibrant literary community that empowers students to see themselves as listeners, speakers, readers, writers, and thinkers while enriching their hearts and minds
- Foster student agency in literacy learning by empowering them to choose and select what is relevant and meaningful to them and their world.
- Teach using a cohesive, coherent approach that leverages common understandings, common language, and high impact pedagogical practices to respond to the needs of learners.
- Provide access to high quality literature both print and digital, including culturally diverse and global perspectives.
- Commit to ongoing professional learning to strengthen capacity, leading to better outcomes for all.

Students Will:

- See themselves as belonging to a literacy community as they build their reading and writing lives.
- Find value, joy, and meaning through authentic inquiry and choice to feed their intellectual curiosity.
- Respond thoughtfully to teachers and peers when listening, speaking, reading, and writing.
- Consider varying points of view and perspectives, leading to a greater empathy and respect.
- Celebrate and share their literary experiences and growth as part of a dynamic community.