In keeping with the values of our democratic society, the purpose of education in Jackson High School and the Jackson Local School District shall be to develop the unique talents, interests, and abilities of all students, as individuals, so that they may become well-adjusted, responsible, contributing, citizens.

The educational program shall provide successful and satisfying experiences for all individuals so that they may develop a positive self-image. Beyond the development of the individual's self-image, a better understanding and appreciation of others shall be encouraged. Such a program shall ensure that each student attains an understanding and appreciation of our American heritage and accepts the responsibilities of our democracy.

The educational program shall be a highly flexible system of multiple materials, media, and procedures which will enable each student to begin on the level at which he is able to learn systematically at his own pace and in his own style. Through appropriate guidance, students will be encouraged to exercise self-direction and to assume a portion of responsibility for their own learning. To remain responsive to the needs of the students, the staff and all other aspects of the educational program shall undergo continuous evaluation.

The scope of the educational program shall ensure academic, cultural, emotional, physical, social and vocational development. The basic reading communications and mathematics skills shall be emphasized in all content areas, and the desire for life-long learning shall be instilled in students at all levels of the educational program shall be to deal with the needs of the youth within our schools, the total program shall also provide for the continuing education of the entire community.

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In the fulfillment of the Jackson High School and the Jackson Local School District Philosophy of Education, the following educational goals have been identified and are listed in their order of importance:

1. Develop skills in reading, writing, speaking and listening.
2. Develop pride in work and a feeling of self-worth.
3. Gain a general education.
4. Learn to respect and get along with people with whom we work and live.
5. Develop good character and self-respect.
6. Learn how to examine and use information.
7. Develop a desire for learning now and in the future.
8. Learn how to be a good citizen.
9. Understand and practice democratic ideas and ideals.
10. Gain information needed to make job selections.
11. Learn how to be a good manager of money, property and resources.
12. Practice and understand the ideas of health, safety, and physical fitness.
13. Learn how to respect and get along with people who think, dress or act differently.
14. Learn about and try to understand the changes that take place in the world.
15. Develop skills to enter a specific field of work.
16. Appreciate culture and beauty in the world.
17. Learn how to use leisure time.
18. Understand and practice the skills of family living.