

Alpine High School Guiding Principles 1.1 – September 21, 2009

Mission: *The Grossmont Union High School District is dedicated to providing a safe and collaborative learning environment which supports academic achievement and social development for all students. The Grossmont District operates on the premise that success for every student is dependent upon all groups in the organization including teachers, administrators, parents, staff, students, and the community working together to support all students in their development as life-long learners, thinkers, and successful contributors to the community.*

Community: The school is the center of the community. The site offers joint-use partnerships that leverage opportunities for students. Community partners are welcomed and provided opportunities on the campus to collaborate in a team-based approach. All stakeholders share ownership.

Technology: Technology is used extensively to improve curriculum delivery. Distance and on-line learning customizes every student's education. Technology is recognized as a critical mode of communication for all.

Personalization: Each student has an adult advocate to help plan for personal progress. Learning paths are integrated and multi-faceted such that all students focus deeply in areas of interest to them. Achievement outcomes are specified and measured by all. Relationships support achievement so that every student has a sense of purpose and competency.

Authentic Learning: Real-world connections are established to ensure that learning is lifelong, accountable, monitored, and integrated. Hands-on, interest-based, and collaborative experiences enable every student to achieve success.

Alpine Identity: Through its curriculum and facility design, the campus reflects the culture, history, and characteristics of the Alpine community. An exciting campus of learning reflects a real-world work ethic that challenges each student to be the author of his or her own current and future success.

"We do things not because they are easy, but because they are hard."

(John F. Kennedy)