

## CHAPTER 1.00 – PHILOSOPHY

### SYSTEM PHILOSOPHY, VISION AND MISSION

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#### Vision Statement

The Lee County Board of Education has a responsibility to ensure every student learns at his/her maximum potential and to set standards and expectations for the quality of education through the establishment of graduation requirements, accreditation of local schools, and certification of professionals. The Board of Education, the administration, and the staff of Lee County Schools will continuously focus on:

- preparing students for a knowledge-based, technologically enhanced, and culturally diverse 21<sup>st</sup> century.
- supporting each student's success in a learning community.
- ensuring a partnership with families and communities to support student learning.
- communicating a vision for improving public education for ALL Lee County students.
- guaranteeing that students have an opportunity to learn the skills necessary for their future, either for jobs or further education.
- maintaining a strong partnership between the communities and the schools.
- opening pathways of communication between all groups concerned with education.
- proactively implementing continuous improvement for grades k-12.
- advocating professional development and teacher education programs.

#### Mission Statement

The Lee County School System will take a prominent role advocating a progressive education for each student in our schools. The mission of Lee County Schools is to educate every student through a comprehensive and academically challenging curriculum taught in a safe and nurturing environment. We challenge students to pursue dreams, succeed with integrity, and contribute meaningfully to a diverse society.

#### Lee County School System's Core Beliefs:

- All students are valued individuals who can learn.
- The education of each student is a responsibility shared by students, families, schools, and communities.
- Each individual achieves best in an environment where physical and emotional safety is guaranteed.
- Personal integrity is essential to individual success.
- Learning is a lifelong endeavor.

REFERENCE(S):

CODE OF ALABAMA  
[16-8-8](#)

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### SYSTEM LEGAL STATUS

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The Lee County School System derives its legal status from the State Legislature which, in turn, is subject to the Constitutions of both the State of Alabama and the United States. Amendment III to the Alabama Constitution provides that the legislature may by law provide for or authorize the establishment and operation of schools.

The Lee County School System is, therefore, under the exclusive control and management of the Lee County Board of Education as prescribed above, and shall be operated in accordance with constitutional and statutory law.

The corporate name of this school system shall be the Lee County Board of Education, and it conducts its business at 2410 Society Hill Road, Opelika, Alabama 36804.

#### REFERENCE(S):

CODE OF ALABAMA

[16-8-8](#), [16-8-9](#)

ALABAMA CONSTITUTION of 1901, AMENDMENT III

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