

## **Mission Statement**

Preamble: Turkey Foot Middle School recognizes that the years of early adolescent are pivotal and abundant with individual potential and opportunity. It is our desire to care for these students personally, listen to their voices, respect their concerns, and engage them in meaningful educational experiences that will prepare them for a promising future.

At Turkey Foot We Believe That Every Middle School Student .....

- has the capacity to learn, to grow, and to develop into a knowledgeable, reflective, caring, ethical, and contributing citizen
- has the responsibility to develop a strong work ethic through his or her commitment to work completion and study habits
- must have access to the very best programs and practices a school can offer
- must be engaged in learning that is relevant, challenging, integrative, and exploratory
- thrives academically, socially, and emotionally in a positive learning environment where trust and respect are paramount and where family and community are actively involved
- faces significant life choices and needs support in making wise and healthy decisions
- deserves educators who are prepared to work with this age group, and who are themselves lifelong learners, committed to their own ongoing professional development and growth
- deserves a school that is focused on the best interest of students, continued improvement and the belief that all students can succeed.