104 SCHOOL DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish a clear statement of the purpose for which the school district exists.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

The school board believes that a mission statement should be adopted. The mission statement should be based on the beliefs and values of the community, should direct any change effort and should be the basis on which decisions are made. The school board, on behalf of and with extensive participation by the community, should develop a consensus among its members regarding the nature of the enterprise the school board governs, the purposes it serves, the constituencies it should consider, including student representation, and the results it intends to produce.

III. MISSION STATEMENT

Albany Area Schools will build and nurture a community of successful, life-long Learners through a partnership of students, school employees, families and community members

Beliefs: We Believe that

- 1. Each person has the opportunity and responsibility to learn.
- 2. An environment of trust, respect and security promotes learning.
- 3. High expectations promote academic success.
- 4. Interpersonal skills are vital for student success.
- 5. Teamwork is essential for achievement.
- 6. Change is a vital part of education.
- 7. Both global and local perspectives are essential for growth.
- 8. Learning is a life-long process.

IV. REVIEW

The school board will review the school district's mission every two years, especially when members of the board change. The school board will conduct a comprehensive review of the mission, including the beliefs and values of the community, every three to five years.

Legal References: Minn. Stat. § 120B.11 (School District Process for Reviewing Curriculum,

Instruction, and Student Achievement) Minn. Rule Parts 3501.0010-3501.0180 Minn. Rule Parts 3501.0200-3501.0270

Cross References: