



Big Goal



2010 - 2011 School Year
Mr. Courtney's Conceptual Physics

A vision without a plan is just a dream. A plan without a vision is just drudgery. But a vision with a plan can change the world.

-- Proverb

Mission: We will be successful this year because too much depends on it to not be. Our big goal will provide a sense of a purpose, and it will fire us up to learn, serve, and demonstrate our knowledge. Our goals provide us a plan and vision, and we will use this to change not only our own world but also the world around us. Physics is the art of change, so we must become masters of this knowledge to truly understand the magnitude of the change we will make.

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has.

-- Margaret Mead

Goal One: Student will be excited to enter M-103 because he or she will know that real learning can transform and change not only their own lives but also the world around them. Success will be measured in monthly check-ins where student will be able to articulate how learning has impacted his life in and out of the classroom.

Goal Two: Students will understand the importance of serving their local community and will choose to leave behind a positive legacy because as Stephen Covey says, "We do make a difference—one way or another. We are responsible for the impact of our lives. Whatever we do with whatever we have, we leave behind a legacy for those who follow." Success will be measured through community service hours in which students will volunteer for 2 or more hours per month.

Goal Three: Students will be excited to show what they have learned and how they have grown. Success will be achieved by having an average of 84% or better on all unit assessments.

The purpose of learning is growth, and our minds, unlike our bodies, can continue growing as we continue to live.

-- Mortimer Adler