Learning is a life-long process which begins from the moment we are born. I believe it is essential that an educator set goals for his or her students that push them to strive to try to learn to the best of their abilities. For this reason I have the following basic learning goals for all of my students:

- All students have an equal opportunity and right to learn. In order to respect this right all members of a classroom community must treat others with respect and dignity.
- Every student should feel comfortable in the classroom and think of it as a safe and caring learning environment. Open expression of students’ ideas about their learning should be encouraged with the students knowing they have the right to express their creativity.
- Students should be encouraged to discover and explore the world around them through inquiry. It is important to realize when students are learning that in order to build their understanding, they must be allowed to inquire about things which pique their interests and curiosity.
- Do not be afraid to make mistakes. Mistakes are a natural part of life and if we look at our mistakes using a growth mindset we can learn from them and grow exponentially.
- Always give your best personal effort no matter what you do. If you always try your hardest to achieve your goals you will find more often than not you will reach them.
- Express your own unique individual self no matter what. Do not ever compromise all of the wonderful traits that make you unique.
- All students are full of potential. Every student should be treated as a capable learner because every child has the right to an education and there should never be a child whose potential we cannot see.