Guiding Values for **Negotiations**

South Washington County Schools

South Washington County Schools (SoWashCo Schools) and its employee labor groups share a common interest in creating the most effective educational experience for students. To support this goal, SoWashCo Schools has established guiding values for contract negotiations.

Guiding Values

WE BELIEVE IN:



Creating a school system that supports equity for each student

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Listening to and communicating with all employees



Working within our budget to responsibly meet our financial and educational obligations



Promoting a culture that is focused students, their growth and achievement

WE WILL ACCOMPLISH THIS BY:

- Providing clear, timely and transparent communication to all staff
- Conducting annual reviews of district priorities to help identify areas of greatest need
- Following parameters established by the School Board to guide negotiations
- Supporting our negotiations team in pursuit of the guiding values

NEGOTIATIONS PRIORITIES FOR 2023-24

- Working within our financial parameters with a focus on funds that are currently available
- Establishing a positive working relationship with labor group leaders
- Creating a system of open communication with staff and the community about negotiations

