



~ Serving grades K-6 ~

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**Mission Statement:**

The clearest path to equipping students with the skills and knowledge to compete in our society is an education that uses project-based learning as the how and 21st century skills as the what. Understanding and using technology will be an integral part of virtually every aspect of daily life for our students. We believe the basic goal of education has not changed, that is to prepare our students for life-long learning and success in society. However, there have been significant transformational changes in society over the last 25-30 years. Technology is on the forefront of this change. According to Larry Rosen, author of *Rewired* published in 2010, "We are literally in the midst of an educational technology revolution that is changing the definition of the teacher." It is the vision of Discovery Academy for students to be engaged in a stimulating academic environment forged by a challenging core curriculum that is student-centered and focused on project-based learning.

Discovery Academy will strive to empower our students with tools that they may not otherwise have access to due to economic constraints. There is a need to enable them to envision the world beyond their own neighborhood. It is our desire to expose them to people and places they never would have had an opportunity to meet or see. They will be empowered to see the difference they can make in their own community as they engage in project-based learning. Even kindergarten students can make a difference in their community by participating in real-life, real-world service learning projects.

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Discovery Academy is a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code. The school is a public school and students enrolled in and attending the school are required to take proficiency tests and other examinations prescribed by law. In addition, there may be other requirements for students at the school that are prescribed by law. Students who have been excused from the compulsory attendance law for the purpose of home education as defined by the Administrative Code shall no longer be excused for that purpose upon their enrollment in a community school. For more information about this matter contact the school administration or the Ohio Department of Education."

[ORC 3314.041 Distributing statement concerning state-prescribed testing and compulsory attendance law to parents.](#)