

## Havasupai Elementary School Philosophy



### School Philosophy

At Havasupai Elementary School, we believe that education is a holistic journey that nurtures the intellectual, emotional, social, and cultural development of every child. The HES philosophy is rooted in the values of **safety, kindness, respect, and responsibility**, and aims to support the unique identity of each student's rich cultural heritage of the Havasupai community.

We are committed to fostering a **love of learning, cultural pride, and environmental stewardship** through a comprehensive educational program that promotes the **accumulation of knowledge** and the development of **skills, interests, appreciations, ideals, and attitudes**. Our school environment is designed to be **inclusive, nurturing, and challenging**, empowering students to become critical thinkers, problem solvers, and compassionate citizens prepared to thrive in an ever-changing world.

Our philosophy is guided by the following principles:

- **Academic Excellence:** We strive to provide rigorous and engaging instruction that supports all students in reaching their full potential.
- **Cultural Relevance:** We honor and integrate the language, traditions, and values of the Havasupai people into our curriculum and school culture.
- **Positive Behavior Support:** Through our PBIS framework, we create a predictable, equitable, and safe learning environment that promotes student well-being and success.
- **Community Partnership:** We actively involve students, families, tribal leaders, and community members in shaping our educational goals and practices.
- **Continuous Improvement:** We regularly review and refine our philosophy and goals to ensure they reflect the evolving needs of our students and community.

### References

[1] [eCFR :: 25 CFR 36.10 -- Standard I—Philosophy and goals.](#)  
HES School Handbook  
HES One Plan  
2022 Community Values Survey  
2024 PBIS Community Night