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**Philosophy:**

It is the philosophy of Aurora School that children, when presented with an orderly and structured environment, and in the presence of properly sequenced whole group classroom instruction, can excel in an academically-oriented program.

The acquisition of skills in reading and writing from the earliest age is considered to be the foundation of the Aurora philosophy. Children learn the rules of the English language to a degree that renders them excellent spellers and excellent writers who read well above their respective grade levels. The Aurora program also stresses the importance of neat, high-quality work in their notebooks. Students are taught to be systematic in how they approach all subject areas.

**Values:**

Innovation, Hard Work, Empowerment, Respect and Integrity, Empathy and Compassion.

**Accountability:**

*Monitored annually by the Board of Directors in consultation with the Superintendent.*

**References:**

*Aurora School Charter  
AR1020 Foundations and Values  
Education Act*