## Hillcrest Elementary School - Titans Are Learners



## Mission Statement

## Titans are Learners!

At Hillcrest Elementary School we are a community of learners. We own our learning and take responsibility for our actions.

As learners we:

- can articulate our learning
- recognize our strengths
- recognize our challenges and access support
- apply feedback to enhance our understanding
- celebrate our learning

## School Goals

At Hillcrest it is all about learning. As a staff we are working on various learning projects. Our projects are articulated in the form of inquiries; questions about how to enhance the learning of our students and improve our practice. Teachers and support staff are learners too.

We review and reflect upon our goals each school year and make adjustments

or add new ones where needed. They will be published on our website in the Fall.

Within all the inquiries the teachers are working on embedding formative assessment practices. These include:

- Students know what they are to learn in language they understand
- Students know what good work looks like - criteria for success
- Students are given descriptive feedback on how to improve
- More questions are designed to deepen our students' thinking and learning
- Students are provided with time to self and peer assess based on clearly understood criteria
- Students are taught how to share and are given opportunities to share their learning - they own their learning

We work toward our students truly owning their learning - to become independent learners.