

# PUGET SOUND SKILLS CENTER

## MISSION

*Our mission is to prepare students for successful careers.*

## VISION

*Puget Sound Skills Center is the school of choice for career preparation and technical education.*

## PHILOSOPHY

*To accomplish this complex mission, the staff of Puget Sound Skills Center is dedicated to develop and sustain a shared philosophy that expresses itself in meaningful values and beliefs about the nature of PSSC and their responsibilities to those students who enroll within it. These values and beliefs include:*

- ✓ Puget Sound Skills Center is a unique school committed to meeting the diverse and the specialized needs of those students who desire to apply what they learn to their future roles of citizen, worker and family member.
- ✓ Students who attend PSSC are provided the maximum opportunity to develop realistic work values and habits, career entry skills and the personal motivation required to succeed in an increasingly changing and complex world.
- ✓ Classes taught and leadership opportunities provided within PSSC seek to involve students in active learning, with an emphasis on cooperative learning, shared decision-making, critical thinking and the personalized study of career-oriented subjects.
- ✓ Students who attend PSSC are encouraged and helped to develop and refine their career skills in "real work" settings in PSSC and community.
- ✓ Staff members employed within PSSC are dedicated to helping each student acquire self-confidence, expanded and refined skills, a sense of personal worth, and pride in their accomplishments at PSSC, in their sending school, and in the community.
- ✓ Staff members associated with PSSC seek to enhance the vocational opportunities available to students through their own work with program advisory committees, local business leaders, sending-school staff members and specialists in their respective career fields.
- ✓ PSSC staff sustains a commitment to excellence throughout PSSC by developing and maintaining the highest quality programs in a spirit of cooperation and team building by valuing good teaching, and by reinforcing the importance of PSSC in the life of each student.
- ✓ Staff members within PSSC are committed to ensuring equal access and educational opportunity to all students without regard to race, sex, national origin, religion or disability.