## SYRINGA MOUNTAIN SCHOOL

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The Board of Education believes that all children should have an equal opportunity to be educated to the full extent of their abilities, aptitudes, capabilities, and interests through a Waldorf Methods program that recognizes and provides for the individual differences of all children of the School District. All educational programs, activities, and facilities operated by the Wood River Waldorf Methods School are made available to all qualified persons without regard to sexual orientation, gender, ethnic group identification, race, ancestry, national origin, religion, color, or disability.

The District encourages experimentation and utilization of various research based teaching methods to deliver the Waldorf pedagogy. The teacher is responsible to teach the established Waldorf curriculum provided for the grade level and the subject taught.

We seek to employ methods, materials, and approaches that meet the present developing human being and provide nourishment for a lifetime of growth and evolution. We work to develop the qualities and capabilities that enable a man/woman to take his/her place in the world with assurance and to create a life of meaning and beauty. To these ends, each teacher and staff member will seek to continually deepen his/her own observation and understanding of the full nature of the human being and our place in the world.