
Mission of Northwest Vista College:

Northwest Vista College creates opportunities for success by offering quality academic, technical and life-long learning experiences to its diverse communities in a collaborative, student-centered, data-informed and shared leadership environment.

Mission Purpose

As a Hispanic Serving Institution, Northwest Vista College fulfills its mission by offering the following:

- Transfer education to provide students with the first two years of the bachelor's degree
- General education courses in the liberal arts and sciences to support all degree programs
- Career preparation to prepare students for immediate employment
- Developmental studies to bring student basic skills to a college level
- Continuing education to include enrichment, English as a second language, training, licensure, and professional programs
- Academic and student support services for all students to include comprehensive advising and monitoring, high-quality learning resources, assessment, counseling, tutoring, and financial assistance
- Academic co-curricular activities, social and cultural activities; and information literacy

Strategic Vision for Alamo Colleges District

The colleges of the Alamo Colleges District will be the best in the nation in Student Success and Performance Excellence.

Northwest Vista College Learning Vision

To become responsible members of our world community, we create exemplary models for:

Learning to Be...

Learning to Work...

Learning to Serve...

Learning to Lead...

Together.

NVC Vision Defined

Learning to Be

- Understanding who I am
- Developing self
- Being open to new ideas
- Developing a values set
- Developing the creative self

Learning to Lead

- Developing and supporting each other
- Applying Core Learning elements of Attitudes, Skills and Knowledge
- Valuing innovation and risk-taking
- Serving as a positive role model

- Being joyful

- Developing mediation and team-building skills

Learning to Work

- Developing technical skills and knowledge
- Developing creative and critical thinking skills
- Developing communication skills
- Developing work ethic
- Collaborating effectively

Together is about:

- Positive interdependence
- Partnering
- Collaboration
- Cooperation
- Tolerance for and acceptance of difference
- Synergy

Learning to Serve

- Developing an ethic of service
- Developing skills for responsible citizenship
- Developing social and environmental responsibility
- Developing a global perspective
- Engaging in service to community

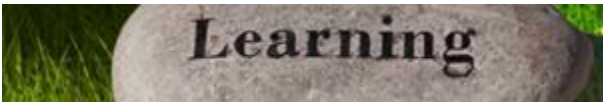
Values:

The colleges of the Alamo Colleges District are committed to building individual and collective character through the following set of shared values in order to fulfill our vision and mission.

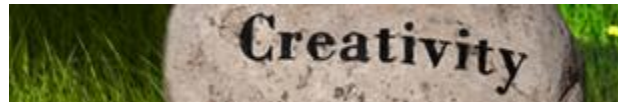
- Students First
- Respect for All
- Community-engaged
- Collaboration
- Can Do Spirit
- Data-informed

Touchstones:

Our Commitment: We, the students, faculty, and staff of the Northwest Vista College community, are committed to making a difference through learning and through service. To that end, we are guided and inspired by a unifying set of touchstones:



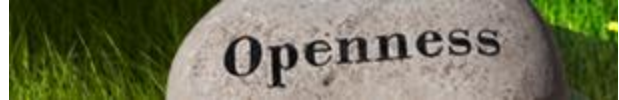
We strive to create a quality learning environment in which each of us grows in effectiveness as a worker and a citizen while acquiring knowledge and understanding of self, community, and our cultural diversity.



We think beyond the usual parameters to engage in and support innovations that continually recreate our learning community as a model of excellence in higher education.



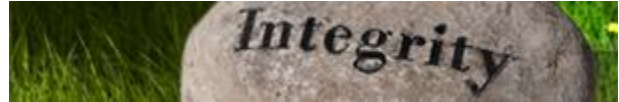
We strive to be a community in which all members are empowered to contribute as learners and leaders, practicing mutual respect and building mutual trust.



We engage in open and honest communications that create an atmosphere of trust and an openness to change for the benefit of students.



We believe in caring - for ourselves, for each other, and for this place - and exhibit that caring through service to others.



We act with integrity, placing high ethical standards before personal gain and modeling that behavior for others.



We work together to make our shared vision a reality, recognizing that the whole we can create together is greater than the sum of its parts.



We value laughter and play that enriches our work and lives.



We value diversity, appreciating different ways of knowing and ways of living and recognizing that our diversity is a source of strength.