

Portrait of a Graduate – Junior High

Category	Characteristic	Description / Meaning
Knowledge	Essentials	Students understand the most important standards and concepts in each subject that prepare them for future learning.
	Application	Students understand how academic learning connects across subjects and applies to real-world situations and life skills.
	Learning Process	Students understand that learning takes effort, practice, mistakes, and reflection—and that failure is part of improvement.
Skills	Critical Thinking	Students analyze information, comprehend content, and apply learning to real life scenarios.
	Collaboration	Students clearly communicate ideas and work productively with others.
	Problem Solving	Students adjust strategies, respond to challenges, and continue working toward goals when faced with difficulties.
Dispositions	Ownership	Students take responsibility for their actions, effort, and engagement in their learning and behavior.
	Growth Mindset	Students persist through challenges, learn from mistakes, and believe they can improve with effort.
	Mindful	Students are aware of how their actions affect themselves and others.

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