



THE ROCK SCHOOL

A Foundation *for* Flourishing

Vision, Values, & Learner Profile

Vision Statement (*What does success look like?*)

The vision of The Rock School is to make disciples of Jesus who possess the knowledge, skills, and attitudes to courageously cooperate with God in the work of redeeming the world.

Our Core Values (*What are the defining attributes of the school?*)

The Rock School is **DISTINCTIVELY CHRISTIAN** – everything that we do and teach is rooted in the Christian faith and founded upon God and His Word.

The Rock School is **A COMMUNITY OF GRACE** – we go beyond just rules and consequences in order to reach the hearts of our students and inspire faith-based transformation.

The Rock School is **RESPONSIVE** – we strive to exceed expectations and provide a positive school experience for every family.

The Rock School is **FORWARD-THINKING** – we value innovation and strive to discover the best practices for student learning.

The Rock School is **PURPOSE-DRIVEN** – we lead, serve, and teach with great passion because we are confident in what God has called us to do. We work to cultivate that same passion in every one of our students.

The Rock School is **A PEOPLE WITH OPEN ARMS** – we love people and gladly welcome others into our school family, both from within our local community and from all the nations of the world.

The Rock School is **A SAFE HAVEN** – we provide an environment where students are protected physically and emotionally, and provide a loving atmosphere where they can grow into the person God has called them to be without fear.



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IB Learner Profile (*What are the attributes we want to see in our students?*)

KNOWLEDGEABLE: We are literate with key knowledge and competent to learn more; we turn knowledge into wisdom as we apply our learning to solve real problems and participate in Christ's restoration of the world.

INQUIRERS: We delight in discovering God's world. As we ask questions, we look to God and Scripture to gain wisdom, discern truth from error, and find created purpose and order.

THINKERS: We develop biblical thinking skills to determine what is true and ethical based upon the sure foundation of Christ and Scripture, not upon the shifting sands of culture and feelings.

COMMUNICATORS: We build trusting relationships with God and others through honest, humble, kind, and balanced communication. We learn to speak and write powerfully and beautifully with words and visuals.

PRINCIPLED: We seek to live rightly, according to God's Word, and have nothing to hide. When wrong, we confess and apologize. We treat others as more important than ourselves and try to live at peace with everyone.

OPEN-MINDED: We value all people as reflections of God's mind, character, and beauty. We seek to understand and respect all. When we disagree, we engage conflict humbly and lovingly. Ultimately, we want minds open to, by, and for Christ.

CARING: We go beyond ourselves and show Christ's kindness to others -- laying our lives down for them. We sincerely care for people and also care about the work we do.

COURAGEOUS: Grounded in Christ, we stand up for truth, protect others, pursue justice, and expose darkness in order to love our neighbors - locally and globally - as ourselves. We do not fear failure, but use it as an opportunity to learn.

BALANCED: We nurture our spiritual lives, making sure no created thing rules over us. We practice time management, rest, self control, and priority setting in line with the gifts God gives us. We seek healthy social lives and balance in every conversation.

REFLECTIVE: We ask ongoing questions about who we are and what we do. We humbly invite feedback and lovingly offer pushback so that we and others might achieve our highest potential in every area of life.