

Portrait of a Bellefonte Area School District Graduate

Throughout their time at Bellefonte Area School District students will develop the following knowledge and skills to enable them to be successful in an ever-changing global society.

Understands the Importance of a Balanced and Meaningful Life:

- Recognizes importance of lifelong learning
- Focuses on family
- Works hard and plays hard; makes time to be in the moment
- Accepts and embraces change - absorbs new experiences
- Understands the concept of working to live rather than living to work
- Possesses passion
- Maintains physical and emotional wellness
- College and Career Ready - Academically Prepared
- Possesses effective communication skills
- Masters essential content; applies knowledge and skills to real-world situations
- Utilizes creative, critical, and divergent thinking to define problems and create solutions
- Exhibits a strong work ethic
- Has a plan for the future
- Displays perseverance, confidence, resilience, and drive to achieve personal goals, complete tasks, and manage projects (explore/try/do)
- Conducts self ethically and with integrity - accepts responsibility for personal actions
- Prepared to lead, collaborate, and work in teams
- Civically Engaged
- Advocates for self, others, and the community
- Is informed by facts and aware of local, national, and world events and issues
- Engages agency: is part of the solution rather than part of the problem
- Participates within the community - volunteers and serves others
- Seeks to be a positive force
- Respects divergent thinking to engage others in thoughtful decisions
- Culturally Competent
- Interacts effectively with diverse individuals and groups
- Asserts a deep commitment and action toward a better world
- Demonstrates civility, empathy, compassion, and respect for others
- Understands cultural differences in general and recognizes that these differences have implications
- Creates and embraces opportunities to forge cultural partnerships within and beyond the local community
- Exhibits open mindedness
- Is aware of events and issues at a global level
- Able to look at a problem through multiple perspectives
- Future Ready
- Operates from a clear and adaptable vision for the future
- Takes risks and exhibits traits of self-confidence, self-reliance, and perseverance
- Understands the balance between work and personal life
- Possesses problem solving skills, curiosity, and the ability to self-reflect
- Leverages social skills including negotiation, etiquette, self-discipline, and manners
- Constructs effective schemes to enable future learning situations
- Exhibits financial literacy
- Possesses the ability to create, innovate, and iterate
- Exhibits an entrepreneurial mindset