

# The Fayetteville Academy

## Core Competencies

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### Mission Statement

The Fayetteville Academy is an independent college preparatory school that encourages students to achieve their full potential by offering exceptional opportunities in academics, fine arts, and athletics. The Academy emphasizes scholarship, honor, leadership, and citizenship.

In support of the Mission Statement, The Fayetteville Academy has developed The Core Competencies as a framework for teaching our students scholarship, honor, leadership, and citizenship. The development of these essential skills which are based upon current educational research, will prepare 21st century learners for success in college, the workplace, and life. The first competency, Core Knowledge, our course content, is the vehicle through which the remaining six competencies are delivered.

#### ■ Core Knowledge

- Arts
- Health and Wellness
- History and Social Studies
- Language Arts
- Mathematics
- Science
- World Languages

#### ■ Character

- **Demonstrate Integrity**  
*What choices do I make when no one is looking?*
- **Accept Responsibility**  
*How do the choices I make affect my life and the lives of others?*
- **Take Initiative**  
*What skills do I use to begin or continue the learning process on my own?*
- **Persevere**  
*How do I work through frustration, adversity, or failure to continue toward my goals?*

#### ■ Collaboration

- **Demonstrate Leadership**  
*How do I positively influence group members?*
- **Show Respect**  
*How do I embrace diverse perspectives?*
- **Assume Accountability**  
*How do I assume shared responsibility within a group?*
- **Maintain Flexibility**  
*How do I know when to lead and when to follow in order to reach a common goal?*

## ■ **Communication Skills**

- **Deliver Information in Written, Oral, and Non-Verbal Communication**  
*How do I effectively articulate my thoughts and ideas?*
- **Receive Information in Written, Oral, and Non-Verbal Communication**  
*How do I understand the meaning and intention of others?*
- **Demonstrate Information, Communication, and Technology (ICT) Literacy**  
*How do I ethically and legally access, evaluate, apply, and manage the information that is available through technology?*
- **Demonstrate Media Literacy**  
*How do I effectively use the most appropriate media creation tools?*

## ■ **Creativity**

- **Foster Curiosity**  
*How do I learn more about what I already know?*
- **Innovate**  
*How can I use what I know in a new or different way?*
- **Imagine**  
*What original ideas do I have?*

## ■ **Critical Thinking**

- **Inquire**  
*What do I want to know?*
- **Strategize**  
*What is my course of action and what are my ultimate goals?*
- **Synthesize**  
*How do I interpret, analyze, and evaluate information to formulate an answer to my question(s)?*
- **Reflect and Adapt**  
*What have I learned from my work and how do I use what I've learned?*

## ■ **Cultural and Global Awareness**

- **Demonstrate Civic Responsibility**  
*How do I actively participate at the local, state, national, and global levels?*
- **Develop a World View**  
*How am I using my skills to understand global issues?*
- **Empathize**  
*How do I learn from and interact with people of diverse cultures and backgrounds?*