

For Parents



CORE COMPETENCIES

Communicating



- Connecting and engaging with others
- Focusing on intent and purpose
- Acquiring and presenting information

Collaborating



- Working collectively
- Supporting group interactions
- Determining common purposes

Creative Thinking



- Creating and innovating
- Generating and incubating
- Evaluating and developing

Critical and Reflective Thinking



- Analyzing and critiquing
- Questioning and investigating
- Designing and developing
- Reflecting and assessing

Positive Personal and Cultural Identity



- Understanding relationships and cultural contexts
- Recognizing personal values and choices
- Identifying personal strengths and abilities

Social Awareness and Responsibility



- Building relationships
- Contributing to community and caring for the environment
- Resolving problems
- Valuing diversity

Personal Awareness and Responsibility



- Self-advocating
- Self-regulating
- Well-being



Student Self-Assessment of the Core Competencies

When students self-assess in relation to the Core Competencies, they are reflecting on their growth in Communicating, Thinking and Personal and Social competencies. These self-reflections are non-evaluative, and reflect your child's view of themselves as learners, and as contributing members of their community. Through self-reflection, your child is encouraged to set goals and take increased responsibility for their learning, rather than rely solely on directions given or set by others.

While we refer to this as a student self-assessment, there is no assessment involved. Instead, students share, through evidence they have gathered throughout the year, reflections on their strengths and how they have grown as a person as well as a learner.

In the early years you may see students speak separately about the Core Competencies. However, as they become more comfortable with what these are, and how they are embedded throughout their learning, the focus may change instead to how these are reflected through the Curricular Competencies (what all students learn in each subject area).