

### A Pope John Paul II Education:

# inspired by the namesake of the School, Pope John Paul II, and guided by his wisdom and charisms.

Pope John Paul II High School educates students to pursue truth, act virtuously and build community. You will witness this in each student because they:

- Possess fundamental skills and knowledge demanded by each academic discipline
- Pursue educational opportunities beyond high school
- Think logically, critically and creatively in problem solving and self-expression
- Analyze contemporary issues from multiple perspectives
- Respect other peoples, languages and cultures
- Access resources and technology to interpret, evaluate and present information
- Interpret implications and consequences of assumptions behind different points of view

# ... Therefore they are Intellectually Strong

- Recognize self and others as loved by God
- Know Christ's mission and participate fully in the Church's life
- Build personal relationships with Christ through Eucharist, prayer and reflection
- Practice reconciliation with family, friends, Church and God
- See faith in Jesus as an obligation to live life as a person for others

# ...Therefore they are Spiritually Alive

- Accept personal responsibility for their growth
- Strive for integrity, commitment and excellence in all things
- Make life choices based upon Catholic social teachings
- Challenge prejudices and stereotypes
- Seek aesthetic, artistic and creative experiences through the arts
- Engage in co-curricular activities that develop leadership, interpersonal and collaborative skills

#### ... Therefore they are Open to Growth

- · Accept personal responsibility for building and maintaining loving relationships with others
- Demonstrate empathy, compassion, understanding and respect
- Accept the love of God and others
- Know the moral teachings of the Catholic Church as it relates to sexuality
- Make responsible decisions regarding personal health and well-being
- Listen respectfully and express themselves genuinely

## ...Therefore they are Loving

- Recognize service as fundamental to faith
- Act with generosity toward all
- Demonstrate compassion for victims of injustice
- Know the impact of social, environmental and political issues on the human community
- Understand the contradictions and moral ambiguities between the Church's social teachings and popular culture
- Know that faith demands active commitment to a just society

#### ... Therefore they are Committed to Doing Justice