

# POCOMOKE MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADUATES

## ACADEMICALLY COMPETENT LEARNERS WHO . . .

- meet or exceed the state learning standards in all content areas
- use print media and digital media to access relevant and credible information from around the world and to effectively communicate, synthesize, and create new knowledge
- know of and appreciate the visual and performing arts
- demonstrate a foundation in a language other than English
- demonstrate knowledge of 21<sup>st</sup> century career options, especially in the STEM fields

## CREATIVE AND CRITICAL THINKERS WHO . . .

- demonstrate consistent study skills and habits of mind
- apply thinking skills to approach complex problems
- organize information productively
- generate new ideas
- make responsible and informed decisions

## EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATORS WHO . . .

- express ideas and information in a variety of modes of communication
- listen to and receive ideas from others, both from within and outside of their own cultures
- use interpersonal skills effectively

## COOPERATIVE/COLLABORATIVE PARTICIPANTS WHO . . .

- demonstrate trustworthiness and caring of others
- demonstrate a positive attitude that is both tolerant and flexible
- fulfill productively a variety of roles within a group
- make fair decisions that balance self-interest with the interest of others

## QUALITY-FOCUSED INDIVIDUALS WHO . . .

- set appropriate goals and work to achieve them
- identify and explain the components of high quality work
- assess their performance using valid criteria
- apply strategies to improve performance

## RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS WHO . . .

- recognize the value of public service and civic responsibility through service learning activities
- demonstrate respect and responsibility for themselves and others by making ethical decisions that contribute to the development of a more peaceful and safe environment
- are informed about local and global issues
- understand the democratic process

## SELF-DIRECTED, SELF-NURTURING INDIVIDUALS WHO . . .

- make healthy decisions that enhance physical, mental, and emotional well-being to thrive within a global environment
- demonstrate the ability to recognize and evaluate their personal strengths and weaknesses
- accept self-improvement and lifelong learning as an ongoing process

