

# Portrait of a Graduate

The essential attitudes and skills students need to graduate ready for college, career and community.



## Essential Attitudes

### Ethical

- Acts with character
- Is of service to others
- Takes responsibility for one's words and actions

### Inclusive

- Finds common ground
- Invites and seeks to understand the ideas of others
- Sees strength in differences

### Resilient

- Adaptable
- Learns from mistakes
- Is willing to risk trying again

## Essential Skills

### Collaborator

Learns from and contributes to the learning of others while working toward a common goal

### Communicator

Listens and shares ideas clearly and effectively, keeping the audience and purpose in mind

### Community Contributor

Brings people together and contributes to the community and world

### Creative Thinker & Innovator

Uses curiosity and imagination to inspire new ideas or build upon existing ones

### Critical Thinker & Problem Solver

Investigates, learns and sees more than one way to solve a problem

# Strategic Goals

Guide us to our promise that every student in Mesa Public Schools is known by name, served by strength and need, and graduates ready for college, career and community.



## Ignite a Culture of Learning and Well-being

We nurture individual growth and continuous improvement for all.

## Ensure Equity

We provide equitable access to opportunities, resources and support so all learners can engage in and contribute to meaningful learning.

## Achieve College, Career and Community Readiness

We model the essential attitudes and skills in the Portrait of a Mesa Public Schools Graduate so that all students graduate life-ready.

## Align Resources

We prioritize limited resources to maximize their impact on educational outcomes.

## Engage Our Community

We maintain trust, two-way communication and transparency with all stakeholders so that our decisions are a reflection of our community.