

DIOCESE OF DES MOINES
Catholic Schools Policies/Regulations

EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY

Essential Learnings (Student Learning Goals)

It shall be the policy of the Diocesan Catholic Schools Board that all schools strive to attain the following Essential Learnings:

Students in the Catholic schools of the Diocese of Des Moines will be challenged as the result of their Catholic education to integrate Gospel values into their daily lives as they:

Academic Outcomes:

- access and use information effectively
- apply technology competently
- think critically and creatively
- solve problems independently and cooperatively
- reason scientifically, mathematically and historically

Spiritual/Social Outcomes:

- accept church, civic and personal responsibility
- anticipate and constructively react to change
- communicate ideas and feelings effectively in various ways
- demonstrate global awareness, cross cultural understanding, and social justice principles
- demonstrate personal wellness practices
- cultivate an understanding of and appreciation for the arts.
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