



PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

ASD students will graduate from high school ready for college, careers, and life, prepared for success in the 21st-century workforce. Our community has envisioned the following skills and characteristics for all ASD graduates in addition to completing their academic coursework:

Fully Engaged Learner

- Critical thinker
- Life-long learner
- Creative thinker
- Intellectual curiosity
- Growth mindset

Career and Life Skills

- Time management skills
- Problem-solving ability
- Adaptability
- Resilience
- Strong work ethic
- Self-direction

Communication

- Teamwork
- Advocate
- Connected and inclusive
- Takes initiative
- Collaborative
- Active listener

Positive Sense of Self and Purpose

- Self-aware
- Perseverant
- Responsible
- Confident
- Community-engaged
- Culturally responsive



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The focus of the Anchorage community is to produce citizens who are good communicators and collaborators. Additionally, they are fully engaged learners with strong career and life skills who have a positive sense of self and purpose. Our graduates should be ready to enlist, be employed, or enroll in a postsecondary institution to further their learning.

What does this look like?

Communication

- ASD students must be effective at communicating their ideas and able to actively listen to others. They take the initiative to advocate for themselves and others.
- They understand the value of teamwork and strive to build connected and inclusive communities.

Fully Engaged Learner

- ASD students apply critical and creative thinking skills in their day-to-day lives.
- Their intellectual curiosity drives them to explore, learn, and grow, and their belief that struggle is a key element to finding success propels them toward their goals as lifelong learners.

Strong Career and Life Skills

- ASD students integrate and apply classroom knowledge to the world around them.
- They are adaptable, resilient, self-directed problem solvers with a strong work ethic and time management skills.

Positive Sense of Self and Purpose

- ASD students have a positive perception of themselves and are aware of their thoughts, feelings, beliefs, and values.
- They can confidently take responsibility and persevere through challenges.
- Students have cultivated the emotional and social intelligence necessary to appreciate the voices of all people from all cultures.
- They contribute to the overall well-being and development of their local community.



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