

The Earth School's Learning Domains

Being well-educated is multi-faceted.

The goal of education at the Earth School is to develop the whole child.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

for example...

- Energy level and pace
- Strength and coordination
- Diet and eating habits
- Self-regulation

PERSONAL & EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

for example...

- Self-knowledge
- Self-care and care of belongings
- Confidence and self-esteem
- Voice and engagement
- Emotional awareness: expressing & regulating emotions
- Flexibility and adaptability
- Honesty
- Sense of responsibility
- Pride in work

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

for example...

- Relationships with others: adults and peers; friendships
- Empathy and caring
- Inclusive, respects diversity
- Collaboration skills, including conflict resolution
- Sense of community, participation, membership, contribution
- Sense of social justice and fairness
- Responsible citizenship including respect & appreciation of the natural world & its resources: conservation, leadership, responsibility

ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT,

for example...

- Knowing oneself as a learner
- Positive attitude toward school and learning: joy in learning
- Open to new learning; seeks understanding
- Accepts and responds to feedback
- Memory and retaining information
- Creative problem-solving and innovation
- Critical thinking and questioning; argument and debate
- Making connections across topics; analogies; metaphoric thinking; cause and effect
- Applying strategies to new situations
- Engagement and persistence in the face of a challenge
- Sorts and organizes information: recognizes structures, pattern, importance
- Literacy and voice: Language and Communication Skills
- Numeracy and logical thinking
- Content area learning and research skills: Social studies, science, sustainability

DEVELOPMENT OF INDEPENDENCE & AUTONOMY

for example...

- Pursues interests
- Making choices and decisions
- Voice and agency
- Curiosity and spirit of inquiry
- Resourcefulness and grit, navigating systems
- Creativity and self-expression
- Self-initiates learning, reading, writing