



# *Portrait of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Visitation Graduate*

**Faith and Values** *Formed by the Scriptures, Catholic tradition, prayer and Salesian spirituality, the Visitation graduate*

- *understands and is able to articulate the core teachings of the Catholic Church*
- *participates in the life and worship of the faith community*
- *continues to be in right relationship with God, each other and all of creation*
- *recognizes and respects the similarities and differences among religions of the world*

**Educational Excellence** *Formed by the discipline of intellectual work, the Visitation graduate*

- *possesses skills of speaking, writing and communicating knowledge clearly*
- *displays a love of learning and ability to evaluate information*
- *has mastered content needed for further education*
- *thinks logically, critically and creatively*
- *analyzes and generates solutions to problems*
- *continues to deepen her/his education so that knowledge evolves into wisdom.*

**Aesthetics** *Formed by education in and exposure to the arts at Visitation, the graduate*

- *appreciates beauty in its natural or created forms*
- *explores opportunities for creative self-expression*
- *integrates aesthetics with academic knowledge*

**Citizenship/Global Responsibility** *Formed by a multi-cultural program of studies and local/global service opportunities, the Visitation graduate*

- *embraces a lifestyle grounded in Salesian simplicity*
- *appreciates diversity in a pluralistic global society*
- *is an involved citizen in the local and global community*
- *respects and preserves the environment*
- *acts to promote a just and peaceful society*

**Interpersonal** *Formed by the Salesian charisms of gentleness, humility, simplicity and hospitality, the Visitation graduate*

- *demonstrates sincerity and care in relationships*
- *is skilled at collaborative tasks*
- *communicates appropriately, confidently and honestly*
- *resolves conflicts respectfully*

**Leadership** *Formed by a Salesian education which intentionally creates opportunities for leadership, the Visitation graduate*

- *possesses an internal moral compass allowing for courageous decision making*
- *is able to be both a team player as a leader or follower*
- *take initiative in organizing a group of peers for effective action*

**Physical** *Formed by strong health, physical education, athletic and activities programs, the Visitation graduate*

- *values physical health and well-being as a lifelong process*
- *possesses poise and self-respect*
- *manages stress well*
- *works well on a team*
- *is a healthy competitor, winning and losing with dignity and grace*

**Technology** *Formed by technology training and Salesian spirituality, the Visitation graduate*

- *is independent, proficient and ethical in the use of technological tools*
- *adapts to technological change and improvements*
- *balances technology with moral and interpersonal values*