



## *Mission Statement:*

Cultivating *character* through *learning* for a life of *service* to God.

## *Vision Statement:*

An HDCH education transforms lives with an essential Biblical identity, ethical restorative relationships, and exceptional learning.



***Design Principles:*** The following design principles will be the means of achieving our mission and vision: Christ-centred learning; academic rigor; relevance to teenagers; and healthy interpersonal relationships.

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## *Habits of an HDCH Graduate*

The way to measure and ensure accountability to the mission and vision is by the presence of the following habits in HDCH graduates. These habits of mind, heart and hand are the marks of character in our graduates. These habits are also intended to help teachers frame and measure student learning.

### *Competence*

An HDCH graduate can analyse, synthesise and apply learning in any situation. Graduates can think critically, communicate clearly and work collaboratively. They are multi-literate and adaptable. They have discovered and developed gifts, and continue to strive for mastery of a variety of skills. They are competent to be of service in God's world.

### *Reflection*

An HDCH graduate is able to reflect on and share what he or she has learned during and after any activity. Wisdom, discernment, humility and effective communication are all evidence of honest reflection.

### *Compassion*

An HDCH graduate shows respect and compassion for others as equal image-bearers of God and for all of God's creation. He or she is able to see from another's perspective, to be in another's place. This compassion should be evidenced in lives of service and integrity, concern for justice and ethics, and extension of generosity and grace.

### *Resilience*

An HDCH graduate perseveres, solving problems and overcoming obstacles. A resilient graduate takes healthy risks, accomplishes tasks and humbly accepts the wisdom of others. In community, he or she has developed confidence and courage to risk.

### *Creativity*

An HDCH graduate is playful, finding joy in all of God's creation, in exploring and discovering, in imagining and creating. His or her creations are beautiful, strong and excellent. As image-bearers of God, graduates understand that they are craftsmen and artists.

*Character ~ Learning ~ Service*