# HABITS OF MIND

### 1. Persisting



Stick to it! Persevering in task through to completion; remaining focused. Looking for ways to reach your goal when stuck. Not giving up.

#### 3. Listening with understanding and empathy



Understand Others! Devoting mental energy to another person's thoughts and ideas. Make an effort to perceive another's point of view and emotions.

#### 5. Thinking about your thinking (Metacognition)



Know your knowing! Being aware of your own thoughts, strategies, feelings and actions and their effects on others.

#### 7. Questioning and problem posing



How do you know? Having a questioning attitude; knowing what data are needed and developing questioning strategies to produce those data. Finding problems to solve.

#### 9. Thinking and communicating with clarity and precision



Be clear! Striving for accurate communication in both written and oral form; avoiding over generalizations, distortions, deletions and exaggerations.

## 11. Creating, imagining, and innovating



Try a different way! Generating new and novel ideas, fluency, originality

# 13. Taking responsible risks



Venture out! Being adventuresome; living on the edge of one's competence. Try new things constantly.

## 15. Thinking interdependently



Work together! Being able to work in and learn from others in reciprocal situations. Team work.

#### 2. Managing impulsivity



Take your Time! Thinking before acting; remaining calm, thoughtful and deliberative.

#### 4. Thinking flexibly



Look at it Another Way! Being able to change perspectives, generate alternatives, consider options.

#### 6. Striving for accuracy



Check it again! Always doing your best. Setting high standards. Checking and finding ways to improve constantly.

#### 8. Applying past knowledge to new situations



Use what you Learn! Accessing prior knowledge; transferring knowledge beyond the situation in which it was learned.

#### 10. Gathering data through all senses



Use your natural pathways! Pay attention to the world around you Gather data through all the senses; taste, touch, smell, hearing and sight.

#### 12. Responding with wonderment and awe



Have fun figuring it out! Finding the world awesome, mysterious and being intrigued with phenomena and beauty.

# 14. Finding Humor



Laugh a little! Finding the whimsical, incongruous and unexpected. Being able to laugh at oneself.

#### 16. Remaining open to continuous learning



I have so much more to learn! Having humility and pride when admitting we don't know; resisting complacency.

