

## HMS Vision: Students Learning & Living God's Purposes

### Education at HMS:

- Inspires students to be life-long learners
- Integrates Christ's teachings & Anabaptist values of peacemaking, service and community into everyday learning
- Shapes a Christ-centered worldview
- Develops each student's God-given gifts
- Adapts holistic instruction to meet the needs of each student

### What We Value:

This is a Christ-centered school community where students are called to acknowledge Jesus' presence in their lives. Jesus is the center of life, the world, creation, and all learning. As a supportive school community, we:

#### **1. Emphasize experiencing God's presence as**

- Students are encouraged to develop a personal relationship with Christ
- Students are taught Anabaptist values and to respect the beliefs of all families in the school community
- Each person is called to model Christ's love in their daily life
- The school community places Christ at the center of all learning

#### **2. Nurture the spiritual, intellectual, social, and physical development of all learners as**

- Students discover an awareness of their spiritual gifts and God's unique plan for their lives
- Students make a personal connection between classroom learning and everyday life
- Students receive a well-rounded education resulting from high quality instruction
- Teachers integrate faith and knowledge to encourage students to become lifelong disciples of Christ
- Parents and teachers reinforce a faith-based education by supporting each other through a team effort

#### **3. Believe each person is both a learner and a teacher as**

- Students learn from and teach other students as well as adults in the school community
- Teachers learn through professional development and their interactions with students and parents
- Parents teach and learn while sharing their gifts with students and teachers

#### **4. Provide opportunities for individuals to discover their unique interests and develop their natural talents as**

- Students explore their emerging interests in core academics, the fine arts, and sports
- Students relate to Christian friends, teachers, and organizations
- Students of all ability levels are given the resources they need to grow
- Students learn to meet other's needs in the school and the wider community as modeled by parents and teachers

#### **5. Encourage students to be reflective, caring, and responsible servants for Christ in the global community by working together to be**

- A Christ-centered community where the Bible and prayer guide our daily lives and actions
- A mentoring community where students learn from their peers and the generations that preceded them
- A caring community where students, parents, and teachers respect, trust, & nurture each other in faith
- A reflective community that calls for stewardship of God's creation & empathy for people around the world
- A life-giving community where we strive for hope, peace, and justice at school and in the world
- A redemptive community that resolves conflict and restores relationships according to biblical principles
- A compassionate community where students are free to express themselves as they grow within the framework of a faith community