

EXPECTATIONS OF A CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL GRADUATE

Vision of the Learner

Catholic education views human life as an integration of body, mind and spirit. Rooted in this vision, Catholic education fosters the search for knowledge as a lifelong spiritual and academic quest. The expectations of Catholic graduates, therefore, are described not only in terms of knowledge and skills, but in terms of values, attitudes and action (Institute for Catholic Education).

The Archbishop Denis O'Connor Catholic High School Graduate is expected to be:

a discerning believer formed in the Catholic Faith community who celebrates the signs and sacred mystery of God's presence through word, sacrament, prayer, forgiveness, reflections and moral living.

an effective communicator who speaks, writes and listens honestly and sensitively, responding critically in light of gospel values.

a reflective, creative and holistic thinker who solves problems and makes responsible decisions with an informed moral conscience for the common good.

a self-directed, responsible, lifelong learner who develops and demonstrates his/her God-given potential.

a collaborative contributor who finds meaning, dignity and vocation in work which respects the rights of all and contributes to the common good.

a caring family member who attends to family, school, parish and the wider community.

a responsible citizen who gives witness to Catholic social teaching by promoting peace, justice and the sacredness of human life.