Pittsburgh Public Schools’ *Future-Ready Graduates* are lifelong learners who are *academically prepared, fundamentally capable, and globally and civically engaged* to complete a two or four-year college degree or workforce certification and can contribute to the local and global community.

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| **Knowledgeable in Content** | • Engage in a continuum of learning across a broad curriculum, including areas of interest and passion.  
• Attain the core knowledge and competencies needed to meet or exceed college and career standards.  
• Apply acquired knowledge and skills as deep thinkers and engage in real-world situations, solve problems, and create new knowledge.  
• Experience internships, service-learning and career fields, post-secondary options of interest, and develop interviewing skills. |
| **Financial, Foundational, and Technology Literate** | • Understand personal financial responsibilities and actions.  
• Make responsible financial plans and decisions.  
• Use communication and technological skills and social awareness to present themselves in a variety of formats through listening, speaking, reading, writing, and artistic expression.  
• Use digital media and technology to communicate, solve problems, synthesize information and create new knowledge.  
• Manage digital identity thoughtfully and ethically. |
| **Researchers** | • Engage in research to generate original ideas and critique the ideas of others.  
• Research to locate information, explore opportunities and deepen understanding.  
• Be resourceful and look for multiple perspectives and sources of information. |

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| **Critical and Creative Thinkers and Problem Solvers** | • Think critically by using reason and analysis to solve problems, make decisions, and draw conclusions.  
• Seek and question new knowledge and information to confront emerging challenges.  
• Demonstrate perseverance when tackling complex problems to reach a solution.  
• Engage in problem-solving.  
• Act on intellectual curiosity by questioning assumptions and evaluating information and perspectives.  
• Approach situations with an entrepreneurial spirit. |
| Effective Communicators and Collaborators | • Use effective written and verbal communication skills.  
• Collaborate with peers and adults in a variety of settings beyond the classroom and for a variety of purposes. |
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| Growth Minded                          | • Persist in challenging or adverse situations, to achieve goals, and learn from experiences.  
• Practice self-efficacy by accepting and embracing failure to elevate.  
• Listen to other perspectives to balance ideas and reach positive solutions.  
• Examine multiple solutions through abstract thinking. |
| Personally and Socially Grounded        | • Demonstrate a strong sense of purpose of self – believe they have purpose and value; have confidence in their abilities, potential, and agency.  
• Exercise emotional intelligence to be aware of, control, and express one’s emotions.  
• Handle interpersonal relationships thoughtfully and with empathy.  
• Create a safe environment. |
| Committed to Social Justice             | • Understand matters of equity, race, and diversity in the world and the community. They will be unrelenting and focused in their pursuit of the elimination of such inequities.  
• Advocate for themselves and on behalf of their communities and others.  
• Possess the skills to navigate the critical conversations that precede social change and understand different methods for pursuing social justice.  
• Exhibit knowledge of the core principles of democracy and participate and guard civic engagement. |
| Culturally Driven                       | • Exercise cultural humility.  
• Demonstrate compassion and cultural awareness for others.  
• Study and appreciate cultures outside of their own. |

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