



# Our Vision, Mission, Values and Guiding Philosophy

## Vision

**Our vision is to educate the whole person, academically, socially, spiritually and morally. Students leave the school with the knowledge, skill and confidence to succeed in their chosen field; to 'walk the right path – Philotimo'.**

Philotimo is considered to be the highest of all Greek virtues, the standards for family and social living; the core concept is that of respect and walking the right path. In its simplest form, the term means "doing good", actions that ensure that one's behavior be exemplary and demonstrate one's personality and the manner in which one was raised. Philotimo to a Greek is essentially a way of life. Children are said to display Philotimo when they display unconditional love and respect towards their parents, grandparents and friends, through small actions such as expressions of gratitude for small gifts or random acts of kindness.

## Mission

**To foster a love of learning, live the Orthodox Christian values of love, kindness, responsibility and humility, and celebrate Hellenism, in a community where everyone is welcome.**

Hellenism is defined within our mission statement as universal, dynamic, timeless, and “eternal” principles that seek authentic human understanding, theology, oratory, science and the ideals of freedom, democracy, justice, and ethics.

## **School Philosophy**

We believe that when students feel safe and accepted at the school, they are best able to engage in their learning. Students engagement and agency of learning are the foundation of educational achievement and personal growth.

## **Values**

Our values are to:

Love

Excel

Achieve

Dream

In living our values everyday we learn to LEAD. We strive to live our values and our Christian faith everyday. We strive to walk the right path and achieve 'Philotimo.'