

Gatesville I.S.D.

“Portrait of a Graduate”

In December of 2016, Gatesville I.S.D. adopted the Portrait of a Graduate to answer this question: What are the skills necessary for success for all children in this rapidly changing, increasingly diverse, and interconnected world? The Portrait of a Graduate moves Gatesville I.S.D. students and staff members to look beyond the high-stakes testing environment and to help our students develop skills so they can be successful in the workforce of the future.

College or Career Ready

- Graduates of Gatesville I.S.D. will engage in a challenging curriculum, which will culminate in a preparation for a successful transition to college, career and workforce readiness. The classroom experiences for all students in Gatesville I.S.D. will match the student’s strengths and interests, as well as, challenge the mind, imagination, feelings and social skills.

Critical Thinking and Problem Solving Skills

- Graduates of Gatesville I.S.D. will continually seek to achieve quality results and outcomes through individual accountability, leadership, teamwork, and lifelong learning using multiple methods of technologies and resources. Moreover, Graduates of G.I.S.D. will engage in problem solving, inquiry, and design of innovative solutions to overcome obstacles to improve outcomes.

Effective Communicator

- Graduates of Gatesville I.S.D. will comprehend and express ideas clearly through various means and modes of communication. Moreover, graduates of G.I.S.D. will demonstrate the belief that effective communicators can interpret and decode meaning through varied forms including: listening, reading, speaking, writing, interpreting and creating graphic images.

Ethical Contributing Member of Society that Demonstrates Independence ®

- Graduates of Gatesville I.S.D. will experience the satisfaction of giving and serving others by living the principle of responsibility to community, which is learned through involvement in a cause or service. The student will acquire an appreciation to put others before self. Ultimately, the G.I.S.D. graduate will respond in love and service to those in need and strive to move beyond self-interest or self-centeredness in relationships with others.

Personal Accountability

- Graduates of Gatesville I.S.D. will be socially responsible citizens that understand the importance of being a contributing member of a democratic society in a diverse world, and will make ethical decisions with the improvement of future societies in mind.