

# VAAS Advisory Focus & Foundational Cornerstones

## Personalization & Relationship Building

### Practice

- Participating in SLC/House Activities & Events
- Building Relationships
- Weekly Student/Teacher Conversations
- Class Discussions
- Goal Setting
- Attendance Review
- Counselor Visits
- Peer Collaboration

### Outcomes

- Community Building Skills
- Strengthening Personal Connections
- Contributing to a Safe & Welcome Environment
- Acceptance of Differences
- Understanding of Personal Strengths

## Interdisciplinary Connections & Academic Achievement

### Practice

- College & Career Exploration
- Tutoring
- Art/Science Event Attendance & Review
- Classroom Speakers/Assemblies & Field Trips
- Building Communication Skills Through Speaking & Writing
- Working with Community Partners
- Thinking Critically
- Organizing the Cum Folder & Graduation Checks

### Outcomes

- College & Career Ready Graduates
- Collaboration
- Investigating Ideas
- Revision of Work
- Arts & Sciences Integration
- Identifying Connections
- Developing Active Listening Skills
- Deepening Perspective
- Using Observation

## Project-Based Inquiry & Learning

### Practice

- Community Service
- Campus-Wide Action
- Research & Illumination of Societal Issues
- Review of Current Events & Ted Talks
- Targeting Social Concerns
- Practicing Inquiry Skills
- Developing Process

### Outcomes

- Commitment
- Resiliency
- Ability to Problem Solve
- Facilitation & Acceptance of Change
- Learning from Experience
- Deepening Curiosity
- Creation of Beautiful Work
- Developing Comfort with Public Speaking

## Performance-Based Assessment

### Practice

- Completing the Signature Projects
- Modeling Positive Digital Citizenship & Appropriate Technology Use
- Digital Portfolio Building
- Showcasing Ideas & Learning
- Designing & Building Public Exhibition Space
- Interacting with Public
- Managing Resources
- Documenting & Publishing
- Defending Ideas
- Identifying Audience
- Developing Persuasive Presentations

### Outcomes

- Understanding of Real-World Applications
- Responsible Citizenship
- Growth of Self-Confidence