Skills for Student Success

> Our school district wants to make sure every student grows up to be happy, healthy, and successful. We do this by teaching important life skills right along with reading, math, and science. These skills help students do well in class today and get ready for the real world tomorrow.

Six Key Areas

We focus on the following skills areas to help teachers support students every day and to give extra help to students who need it:

+ **Understanding Yourself**

- Knowing how you feel, what you are good at, what you need to work on, and believing in yourself

+ **Managing Yourself**

- Staying calm when stressed, controlling your actions, and working hard to reach your goals

+ Understanding Others

- Caring about other people's feelings, listening to different ideas, and knowing where to go for help in your school or neighborhood

+ Building Relationships

- Making good friends, talking clearly, listening well, and fixing arguments in a fair way

+ Making Good Choices

- Thinking about what is safe, fair, and kind before you choose what to do

+ Having a Positive Outlook

- Planning for the future, staying strong when things get tough, and learning how to handle new changes



Fulfilling Our Portrait of a Graduate

By teaching these six life skills in every single grade, we make sure our big dreams for our graduates become real actions in the classroom. We also involve families and teachers to pick the very best books and lessons to help students learn these skills.

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We have a goal for what every student should look like when they graduate from Fayette County Public Schools. We don't just want them to pass tests -- we want them to be great citizens, thinkers, and leaders!

Learn More about the FCPS Portrait of A Graduate (https://www.fcps.net/portrait)

FCPS Skills Assessment

To ensure each student meets their full potential, our district uses the FCPS Skills Assessment (https://docs.google.com/document/d/1H8HyaD7rpEunnkZc8JprfDDA4kCdOCRcSuT98QMfvBw/e usp=sharing). This tool provides a comprehensive, data-driven approach to evaluating Skills for Student Success. We give this strengths-based self-assessment twice a year (in grades 3-12) to highlight and celebrate the positive skills each student has developed. This ensures FCPS is effectively supporting their continued growth and aligning support to their specific needs.

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