PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE

At Glen Cove Schools, our Portrait of a Graduate envisions students who embody five key attributes—Self-Advocate, Critical Thinker, Versatile Learner, Engaged Citizen, and Collaborative Communicator—ensuring they are prepared to navigate challenges, contribute meaningfully to society, and achieve success in an ever-changing world.

The Glen Cove City School District's Portrait of a Graduate was developed with input from over 500 stakeholders, guided by a diverse core planning team representing the entire community.

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Self Advocate

- Shows self compassion and acceptance
- Recognizes that physical and mental health are part of a meaningful life
- Identifies challenges and understands how to adopt them
- Demonstrates self-awareness and a strong work ethic
- Recognizes and communicates their needs and goals



Critical Thinker

- Makes connections
- Asks questions
- Finds meaning and purpose
- Utilizes evidence to support thinking
- Solves problems



Versatile Learner

- Views setbacks as opportunities for growth
- Learns and embraces mistakes and failures
- Perseveres through challenges
- Adapts to an ever-evolving world
- Embraces fear and vulnerability to remain determined to achieve success



Engaged Citizen

- Demonstrates respect and embraces diverse perspectives and traditions, fostering empathy and global awareness
- Participates in democratic processes by being informed and engaged in elections and policy discussions
- Works effectively with diverse groups to address community challenges and create sustainable solutions
- Actively makes a positive impact on their sphere of influence



Collaborative Communicator

- Works in a group setting to accomplish the assigned task
- Expresses their point of view effectively both orally and through written expression
- Properly addresses an audience both written and non-written, including attention to societal cues
- Expresses in a grammatically appropriate way

The Glen Cove City School District Mission Statement

We are dedicated to providing all of our children with an education of the highest caliber. Our future rests in the hands of today's children. Education is the key to improving the quality of their lives. In order to accomplish this mission: We are committed to knowing each child as an individual and providing that child with the skills, attitudes, concepts and knowledge needed to be a complete person. We support responsible citizenship by reinforcing morals and values. We recognize and celebrate our diversity. We support a staff committed to learning and growing. We will build a sense of school community through effective communications. We will provide strong leadership, a safe environment, clear goals, high expectations and continuous assessment. We share our successes and grow from our experiences.

