

Newport-Mesa
Unified School District

PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE

All Students Are All Our Students | Seen, Heard, Supported, and Safe

Our Promise

We graduate students who are prepared to succeed in college, career, and life. Empowered with academic excellence, cognitive ability, and character to pursue their passions, they can ignite their purpose and make a meaningful impact in the world. We inspire students to question boldly, think critically, communicate powerfully, and lead with empathy and confidence. We graduate students who are positive and forward-thinking, able to navigate complex real-world challenges with creativity and resilience, collaborate with curiosity, and contribute with integrity and civic-mindedness.

CRITICAL THINKERS

- NMUSD graduates approach challenges with curiosity and discernment, asking meaningful questions and making informed decisions.
- They analyze information thoughtfully, evaluate evidence, use innovative technologies appropriately, and apply reasoned judgment to solve complex problems.

CONFIDENT

- NMUSD graduates express ideas, take action, and make decisions with self-assurance, grounded in preparation.
- Focused, strong, and articulate, they draw from their personal strengths and knowledge, reflect, and have a strong belief in their ability to learn and grow.

ADAPTABLE

- NMUSD graduates are resilient, pursue growth, seek and acknowledge different viewpoints, and learn from setbacks, drawing on self-awareness and determination to overcome obstacles, access resources, and pursue their goals.
- They respond to circumstances and dynamics to navigate change with purpose and perseverance.

TECH NAVIGATORS

- NMUSD graduates are equipped to navigate today's rapidly changing technology confidently, ethically, and creatively so they can harness its potential while understanding its limits.
- They understand responsible use of technology involves human talent, sound judgment, curiosity, and critical thinking.

COMMUNICATORS

- NMUSD graduates are powerful and persuasive communicators.
- They actively listen, communicate with clarity and intentionality, and shape their message for different audiences and real-world environments.
- They clearly and effectively express ideas through written, oral, and digital means.

COLLABORATORS

- NMUSD graduates eagerly and respectfully seek others' viewpoints, learn, innovate, and create.
- They question and problem-solve with respect and empathy for others. Civic-minded, they thoughtfully consider their impact and contributions to their community and the greater good.