

2011 SAN JOSE EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL STATEMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

SAN JOSE EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL WAS FOUNDED IN 1950 AS A MISSION AND MINISTRY OF SAN JOSE EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND IS DEDICATED TO OFFERING A SUPERIOR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM BUILT ON A CHRISTIAN FOUNDATION WHERE WE EDUCATE MIND, BODY, AND SPIRIT. OUR STRENGTH IS IN THE GRACEFUL PARTNERSHIP THAT THE SCHOOL SHARES WITH THE CHURCH AND ITS COMMUNITY. THE SCHOOL AND THE CHURCH ARE UNITED PHILOSOPHICALLY, RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF A STRONG RELATIONSHIP.

THE SCHOOL STRIVES TO DEVELOP IN EACH STUDENT THE FULL REALIZATION OF HIS OR HER POTENTIAL FOR LEADING A RICH, PRODUCTIVE LIFE SO THAT HE OR SHE MAY GROW INTO THE UNIQUE, WHOLE AUTHENTIC PERSON GOD CREATED HIM OR HER TO BE.

SAN JOSE EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL WILL ACCOMPLISH THIS THROUGH THE FOLLOWING:

- **VALUING STUDENTS AS UNIQUE INDIVIDUALS CREATED BY A LOVING, EMPOWERING GOD;**
- **WEAVING RELIGIOUS AND SPIRITUAL FORMATION INTO THE OVERALL CURRICULUM AND DAILY LIFE;**
- **WORSHIPPING TOGETHER TO ESTABLISH A COMMUNITY OF FAITH AND PRACTICE ON A REGULAR BASIS;**
- **SUPPORTING SERVICE LEARNING AND OUTREACH TO ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO LIVE OUT THEIR CHRISTIAN FAITH THROUGH ACTIONS, PROMOTING RESPECT OF THE GREATER COMMUNITY;**
- **PROVIDING A CURRICULUM THAT IS ENGAGING AND PREPARES STUDENTS FOR ACADEMIC CHALLENGES AND ALLOWS STUDENTS TO REALIZE THEIR OWN UNIQUE TALENTS AND GIFTS;**
- **INSPIRING STUDENTS TO BE LIFE-LONG LEARNERS AND CRITICAL THINKERS, PLACING EMPHASIS ON MASTERY SO THAT STUDENTS MIGHT REACH THEIR POTENTIAL;**
- **PREPARING STUDENTS TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN A RAPIDLY CHANGING TECHNOLOGICAL, DIGITAL WORLD AND GLOBAL ECONOMY;**
- **PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS TO EXPRESS THEMSELVES CREATIVELY AND ARTISTICALLY;**
- **CREATING A LOVING, LEARNING COMMUNITY GUIDED BY A DEDICATED FACULTY WHERE RESPECT AND RELATIONSHIPS ARE VALUED;**
- **STRIVING FOR A DELICATE TEACHING BALANCE BETWEEN KEEPING TRADITIONAL METHODS WHILE CONTINUING TO ADOPT PRACTICES THAT ARE ON THE CUTTING EDGE;**
- **OFFERING A PROGRAM THAT EMBRACES STUDENTS FROM DIVERSE RELIGIOUS, CULTURAL, AND ECONOMIC BACKGROUNDS.**