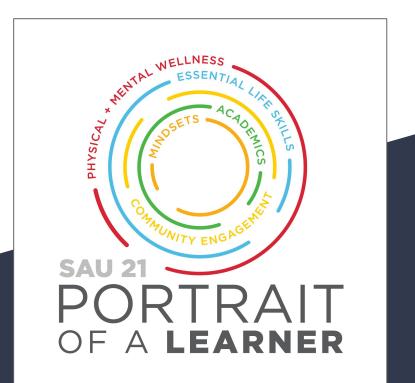
# SAU 21 Portrait of a Learner

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# PORTRAIT



#### SAU 21 Educational Philosophy

We, the members of the SAU 21 educational community, are committed to developing lifelong learners who are creative and critical thinkers and who contribute to a changing global society. The SAU 21 educational community consists of students, teachers, parents, administrators, school board members and the community-at-large working collaboratively towards this mission

#### Portrait of Learner Committee (2022-2023)

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# Portrait Process & Timeline

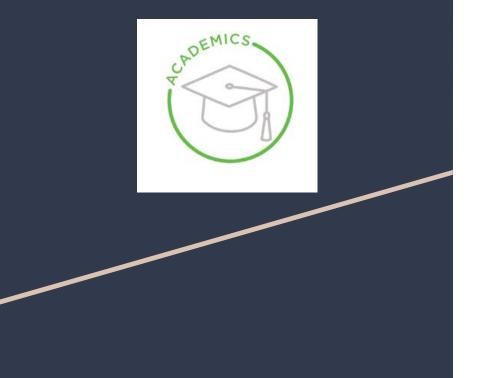
### <u>2022-2023</u>

- Establishment of working team and plan
- Student, teacher, administrative, community feedback
- Community feedback sessions
  - Select Boards, community organizations, career/ service organizations
- Validation of feedback and development of shared values (themes)
- Finalization & graphic representation
- Assessment of baseline data around themes

#### 2023-2024

- Review of current initiatives and baseline data
- Themes serve as a lens for district and collective goal setting
  - Coherence- you should see programs and services embedded in the core pillars of the portrait.
  - Developmental Access- students should be able to exhibit these traits at all levels of their K-12 education
  - Ecosystem of learners- these should also represent traits present in the community and staff of our schools
- Touchpoints
  - Budgeting processes
  - Programming and infrastructure needs
  - Curricular implementation,
  - Career pathways offered at MS & HS

# Core Theme #1: Academics



Students participate in individualized academic programming that meets their needs, interests, and abilities.

<u>Academic Descriptors:</u>

- Rigor
- Competency Based Education
- Personalized Pathways
- Trades/ Seacoast School of Technology
- Equity
- Data/ Analytics
- Support Structures for All Students
- Integration
- Service Learning
- STEM/ STEAM
- Learning Outside the Classroom
- College

# Core Theme #2: Mindsets



## Students demonstrate traits and habits that are critical to their success.

## Mindset Descriptors:

- Openness to Change and Diversity
- Purpose
- Problem Solving
- Empathy
- Kindness
- Accountability
- Collaboration

- Resilience
- Creativity/ Innovation
- Communication
- Self-Direction
- Independence
- Curiosity
- Self-Knowledge
- Growth Mindset

# Core Theme #3: Essential Life Skills



Students manage the career, financial, technological, and practical responsibilities necessary in a complex and changing world.

## Essential Life Skills Descriptors:

- Digital Literacy
- Financial Literacy
- Goal Setting
- Business Communication
- Food & Nutrition
- Cooking
- Household Management
- Bridge to Career
- Public Speaking

# Core Theme #4: Physical and Mental Wellness



# Students live a balanced and healthy social, emotional, and physical life.

## Physical and Mental Wellness Descriptors:

- Work Life Balance
- Mental Health Support
- Stress Management
- Social Emotional Learning
- Modeling by Staff
- Face to Face Interaction
- Emotional Connections
- Physical Activity
- Nutrition

Core Theme #5: Community Engagement



# Students share a commitment to their local and global community.

## Community Engagement Descriptors:

- Civic Engagement
- Sustainability
- Global Citizenship
- Ethical Decision Making
- Agency
- Community Connections
- Service