



ESD STATEMENT ON EPISCOPAL IDENTITY

The Episcopal School of Dallas values the dignity of every human being as a child of God. We strive to live with honor, integrity, and respect for all as expressed in our Code of Conduct. We are committed to creating, maintaining, and nurturing a diverse, safe and inclusive environment as we prepare young women and men for lives of service, intellectual discovery, integrity, morality, and purpose.

We worship daily to grow spiritually. We gather in Chapel for prayer and thanksgiving for God's blessings in our lives. Our worship conforms to the Book of Common Prayer. We welcome people of all faith traditions. Together, we wonder about how we can love God and our neighbor as we discern our spiritual gifts and bear God's image to the world.

We embrace diversity in our school community. Diversity enhances the quality of the education that ESD provides and is essential to the development of well-rounded people. The Episcopal School of Dallas values diversity in all its forms, including but not limited to socioeconomic background, ethnicity, religion, gender, and sexual orientation.

We explore Christianity and religions of the world to develop an understanding and respect of people and cultures. Such study expands our students' knowledge of a wide variety of sacred writings, theological interpretations, and moral reasoning. Religion classes encourage a deep and lifelong desire to pursue faith, justice, and truth.

We serve the world around us by responding to the needs of others. Through community service, our students are instilled with a sense of lifelong responsibility for the world God has entrusted to our care. Serving others raises social awareness in our global context and develops compassion, empathy, and a heart open to others. We believe that we are following Christ's teachings when we share our blessings of resources, time, and commitment.