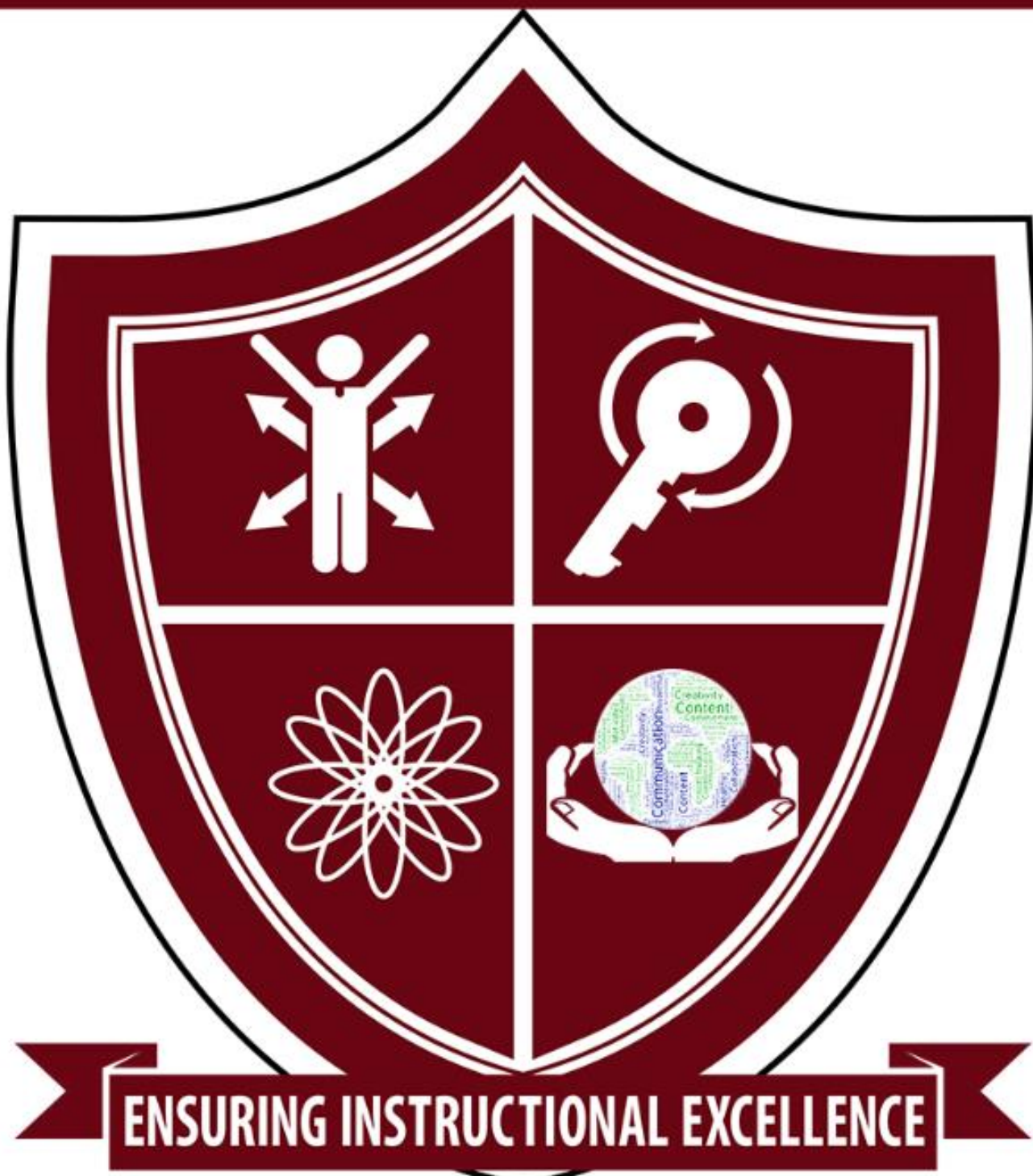




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Opportunity + Access + Equity = Success Ready!



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Marion County Public Schools serve more than 3000 students in grades Pre-School through 12th grade. After collaborating with different members of our community, we have adopted a Portrait of a Graduate to answer the question: What are the skills necessary for success for all children in this rapidly changing, increasingly diverse, and interconnected world? Our Portrait of a Graduate moves MCPS community to look beyond the high-stakes testing environment and to help students develop skills so that they can be successful in the workforce of the future.



COMMUNICATE effectively. Speak and write with clarity in a purposeful manner to inform, influence, motivate, or entertain listeners. Listen actively. Know your audience, understand the purpose, and choose precise language. If appropriate, incorporate media to enhance ideas. Cultivate interpersonal skills.



COLLABORATE constructively. Take responsibility for yourself and your team. Listen with empathy and understanding with commitment to shared success. Give and receive feedback, implement decisions, and share credit. Build strong partnerships within a diverse team.



CRITICAL THINKING to solve problems effectively. Ask questions and use evidence to describe and support claims. Be flexible and innovative to design solutions to complex problems. Reflect and critique ideas.



CONTENT MASTERY. Learn continuously. Develop strong foundational skills to master significant content. Make mistakes and build on knowledge to apply to new situations.



CREATIVITY. Imagines, improvises, and adapts as new challenges and opportunities arise. Suspends judgement and challenges assumptions. Takes risks, creates unique ideas and produces beautiful work.



COMMITMENT. Be persistent and self-directed. Manage impulses and persists to accomplish difficult tasks and to overcome academic and personal barriers to meet goals. Strive for accuracy and apply effort to continuously improve to benefit the broader community. Engages in healthy, positive practices and relationships to promote overall physical and mental well-being.