1. A successful learner who demonstrates a passion for inquiry and learning

	Benchmark	Assessment
	If we view the learning result as the 'goal,' what can a student do at the end of his or her time in this age grouping or division?	How can this be measured? <i>or</i> How is it already measured?
Early Childhood (5-year-old)	 Displays curiosity when given the opportunity to engage in active exploration Focuses and completes tasks when working independently Asks relevant questions Uses direct exploration to explore questions Confidently expresses ideas using a range of mediums (oral, art, demonstration, etc.) 	 Observations Pictures Anecdotal notes Student work (portfolio)
Lower School G 1/2 (7-years old)	 Explores new resources and uses new information to build knowledge Wonders and asks questions in a meaningful way Knows the difference between a statement and a question Listens to and learns from others' ideas Talks and writes about new ideas and questions 	 Observations Dialog with student Student work (portfolio)
Lower School G 3-5 (10-year old)	 Engages in independent and collaborative research Understands what an 'expert' Notices when they learn something new and connects it to prior knowledge Shows learning from their mistakes Formulates questions they want to explore Talks and writes about new ideas and questions with peers 	 Observations Dialog with student Student work (portfolios) Self assessment Individual goal setting
Middle School G 6-8 (14-year-old)	 Challenges information given and seeks alternative explanations Sets and assesses individual learning goals Works effectively individually and in a group Respects' others' ideas and considers alternative to strongly help personal ideas Pursues learning opportunities outside school Finds practical applications for new knowledge that leads to new questions 	 Individual goal-setting Self- and Peer-assessment
High School G 9-12 (18-year-old)	 Sets and assesses short- and long-term learning goals and plans Applies new knowledge to address school or community development Conducts original research on topics of personal interest Participates in learning networks outside school 	 Individual goal-setting Self- and Peer-assessment Post-secondary plans Extended Essay assessment