



COLUMBUS  
CLASSICAL  
ACADEMY  
*A Hillsdale College Curriculum School*

## *Our Mission*

Columbus Classical Academy inculcates in our students, through a genuine and rigorous classical education in the liberal arts and sciences, the knowledge and virtue upon which independent, responsible, and joyful lives are built, in the firm belief that such lives are the foundation of a free and flourishing republic.

## *Our Curriculum*

“Hillsdale College’s K-12 curriculum is content-rich, balanced, and strong, and with emphasis upon the four core disciplines of math, science, literature, and history, with attention to music, art, physical education, and foreign languages.”

*More details can be found [here](#).*

## *Our Virtues*

Fortitude | Justice | Prudence | Temperance | Faith | Hope | Charity

## *Our Students*

### **Honor Code:**

*A Columbus Classical Academy student is...*

Honest in all things  
Upright in conduct  
Diligent in study  
Dutiful in service and  
Joyful in the face of difficulty

*Teaching Knowledge. Forming Virtue.*



# Portrait of a Graduate

## Knowledge

A Columbus Classical Academy graduate...

**possesses rich knowledge in the liberal arts and sciences and the fine arts.**

*By engaging with the curriculum, graduates have encountered great works of literature, history, and philosophy; they have wrestled with profound mathematical, scientific, and political principles; they have cultivated an appreciation for musical and artistic masterpieces.*

**understands and appreciates the Judeo-Christian tradition.**

*Through the diligent study of timeless texts, as well as historical documents and events, graduates understand the truths and principles which have shaped Western Civilization and recognize the Judeo-Christian tradition's vital role in founding and preserving our nation.*

**is equipped with the tools of learning.**

*The acquisition of knowledge is facilitated by the artful practice of the tools of learning, specifically in the areas of grammar, logic, and rhetoric. Graduates have developed their abilities to read, memorize, speak, reason, and write.*

## Virtue

A Columbus Classical Academy graduate...

**is formed in the seven classical virtues.**

*Through the curriculum and culture of the school, graduates have developed habits marked by Fortitude, Justice, Prudence, Temperance, Faith, Hope, and Charity. Graduates' character and conduct reflect these virtues, which are continually strengthened through practice and reflection.*

**possesses rightly ordered loves.**

*Moved by the True, the Good, and the Beautiful, graduates recognize the given order in the world; they understand their ordained place within the cosmos; they are able to not only choose what is best, but to prefer it over lesser things.*

**has formed good habits of mind, spirit, and body.**

*Graduates understand the nature of a human being and recognize that good habits lead to flourishing. Graduates' minds are well-trained, their spirits are turned towards higher things, and their bodies are stewarded with discipline and grace.*

## Citizenship

A Columbus Classical Academy graduate...

**embraces a life of duty and service.**

*Recognizing man's political nature, graduates understand that a citizen's rights must be balanced by duty. Through service to others, they demonstrate the personal responsibility necessary to sustain civil society.*

**has developed the capacity for thoughtful and civil disagreement.**

*Having engaged with ideas of historical significance, graduates are prepared to participate in the Great Conversation. They understand that the ability and willingness to discuss conflicting ideas is necessary within a free republic and is a means by which graduates continue to pursue Truth.*

**appreciates the blessings of liberty and possesses a love of country.**

*Graduates have gained a clear understanding of America's historical, political, and philosophical foundations, as well as the changes our nation has undergone since its formation. They recognize and can articulate what is good about our country and the liberty it has provided.*

