Habits Of Mind



Persisting: Stick to it!
Persevering on a task through to completion; remaining focused. Looking for ways to reach your goal when stuck. Not giving up.



Managing impulsivity: Take your Time! Controlling yourself. Thinking before acting: remaining calm, thoughtful and deliberative. Delaying gratification



Listening with understanding and empathy: Understand Others! Devoting mental energy to another person's thoughts and ideas; Make an effort to perceive another's point of view and emotions



Thinking flexibly: Look at it Another Way! Being open-minded, able to change perspectives, generating alternatives, considering options, seeking novelty and valuing different points of view.



Thinking about your thinking
(Metacognition): Know your knowing! Being aware of your own inner voice, thoughts, strategies, emotions and executive functions. Cognitive control Sensitivity to your affect on others.



Striving for accuracy. Check it again! Always doing your best. Setting high standards. Checking and finding ways to improve constantly. Searching for truth.



Questioning and problem posing: How do you know? Having a questioning attitude; knowing what data are needed and developing questioning strategies to produce those data. Finding problems to solve.



Applying past knowledge to new situations. Use what you Learn!

Accessing prior knowledge; transferring knowledge beyond the situation in which it was learned.



Thinking and communicating with clarity and precision: Be clear! Striving for accurate communication in both written and oral form; avoiding over generalizations, distortions, deletions and exaggerations.



Gather data through all senses:
Use your natural pathways! Pay
attention to the world around you
Gather data through all the senses:
Tasting, touching, smelling, hearing and
seeing.



<u>Creating, imagining, and innovating</u>: Try a different way! Generating new and novel ideas, fluency, originality Being receptive to untested, unusual and odd ideas.



Responding with wonderment and awe: Practice being excited! Finding the world awesome, inspirational, seeking the mysterious, and being intrigued with phenomena and beauty.



<u>Taking responsible risks:</u> Venture out!
Being adventuresome; living on the edge of one's competence. Try new things constantly and learning from failures.



<u>Finding humor</u>: Laugh a little! Finding the whimsical, incongruous, absurd and unexpected. Being able to laugh at oneself. Surprising your brain.



Thinking interdependently: Work together! Being able to work and learn from and with others in reciprocal situations. Team work.

Collaborating to achieve group goals and priorities ahead of your own



Remaining open to continuous learning: I have so much more to learn! Having humility and pride when admitting we don't know; resisting complacency.