



PORTRAIT OF A CDA GRADUATE

CORAM DEO ACADEMY EXISTS TO TRAIN ETHICAL SERVANT LEADERS AND WISE THINKERS WHO WILL SHAPE CULTURE FOR THE GLORY OF GOD.

WHAT, THEN, DOES A GRADUATE OF CORAM DEO ACADEMY LOOK LIKE? WHAT TYPE OF PERSON ARE WE AIMING TO PARTNER WITH CHURCHES AND PARENTS TO FORM?



As **ethical servant leaders**, CDA graduates embody virtue and embrace the Christian call to love God and love their neighbor.

- They seek to know the heart of Christ and be transformed into His likeness
- They understand their place in God's narrative of history
- They submit ever more joyfully and eagerly to the Lordship of Christ over all things
- They treasure, appreciate, and uphold what is true, good, and beautiful
- They dignify and respect all people
- They actively serve their church and community
- They pursue servant leadership in their vocation, family, and community
- They honor authority in thought, word, and deed
- They seek to protect the weak and oppressed
- They know what it means to receive grace and be gracious to others
- They understand that the development of virtue is Spirit-led and a result of God's grace
- They live and speak in a manner seasoned with grace and humility
- They persevere in difficult settings

As **wise thinkers**, CDA graduates love learning, reason wisely, and utilize the tools of learning, thinking, and expressing.

- They embrace challenging subjects and topics
- They exhibit excellence in academic pursuits
- They pursue learning and truth throughout their lifetime
- They read carefully and critically
- They delight in the written and spoken word
- They spend some of their leisure time actively pursuing the liberal arts and attending to the fine arts
- They listen carefully and discerningly
- They think clearly, precisely, and creatively
- They embody and practice Christian discernment
- They understand the relationship between faith and learning
- They evaluate worldly wisdom and truth according to biblical wisdom
- They view every subject as integrated in and through Christ
- They write and speak articulately, eloquently, and persuasively
- They are versed in the rich tradition of the liberal arts in order to think critically and clearly about all of life

- They employ the tools contained within the liberal arts and sciences
- They participate in the “Great Conversation” through familiarity with the “Great Books”
- They understand the progression of Western thought through the study of theology, philosophy, and literature



As persons who ***shape culture for the glory of God***, CDA graduates will critique and create culture for the sake of expanding Christ’s kingdom.

- They understand that Christ is preeminent over all creation
- They apply Christian worldview principles to everyday life
- They view their vocational path as a way to serve God and his kingdom
- They articulate and defend their faith persuasively and humbly
- They discern and love beauty as manifested in creation and the arts
- They possess aesthetic sensibilities that lead to worship and delight in God’s glory.
- They make aesthetic judgements about art that reflect a biblical worldview.
- They choose classical, Christian education for their own children
- They put others at ease, and are themselves at ease, in all social situations



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