

# Is New Vista For You?

## **Based on our experience, New Vista works well for students who:**

- 1 *may have behaved irresponsibly in the past but are willing to model and practice responsible behavior*
- 2 *learn best through various methods such as: hands on, experiential learning, collaboration, presentations, group work, and exploratory learning;*
- 3 *are willing to work through the Restorative Justice process for conflict resolution and/or are willing to seek out resources to help resolve conflict;*
- 4 *are tolerant of a diverse NVHS community including gender, race, sexual orientation, class, ability, looks, language, etc;*
- 5 *do not have substance abuse issues or are willing to immediately address them;*
- 6 *easily transition from one environment to another;*
- 7 *strive to become independent learners and who are willing to use adults for support and as a resource;*
- 8 *enjoy or are open to participating in cooperative learning groups with different kinds of students;*
- 9 *can learn independently and exercise self-control;*
- 10 *want to challenge themselves and take pride in what they do;*
- 11 *welcome feedback that will improve their academic work and behavior;*
- 12 *may have had a recent placement in an intensive treatment or educational program and are ready to transition to a mainstream learning environment.*

## **At New Vista, students:**

- 1 *are willing to be partners with teachers, parents, and other adults;*
- 2 *are willing to be partners with other students;*
- 3 *work hard when they are treated with respect and given independence;*
- 4 *believe that a school should be a community of learners;*
- 5 *advocate for themselves and negotiate with others to solve problems;*
- 6 *are ready for more responsibility for their own learning.*