## EDUCATIONAL GOALS

The purpose of the Valliant Public Schools is to help all the children of all the people develop their capacities to the highest degree possible to the end that each may become an effective member of society. This purpose may best be described in the following goals:

1. To develop in each child an understanding and appreciation of the forces and ideals that are basic to the American way of life.
2. To develop in each child a sense of his/her personal opportunities and responsibilities as a citizen of the community, state, nation and the world.
3. To develop in all children an understanding of the physical, social, and economic world in which they live, and to assist in the adjustment to surroundings.
4. To encourage and stimulate children and youth to think clearly, logically, and independently.
5. To encourage children and youth to respect the integrity of work and deed, to appreciate the dignity and worth of other individuals and groups, and to seek out and to accept their responsibilities and obligations as citizens, along with their rights and privileges.
6. To give each child, insofar as the child's abilities permit, a sound mastery of the tools of learning and communication, such as reading, writing, arithmetic, and the use of written and spoken language.
7. To provide flexibility in the curriculum so that the gifted, the typical, and the handicapped may be prepared for effective citizenship and service, whether the children enter vocations from secondary school or continue in school of higher learning.
8. To provide physical education and health services so that every child will have, as far as possible, robust health and the knowledge and desire to safeguard it.
9. To prepare children psychologically for a well-balanced social life and for creative use of their leisure time.
