

## Core Values

Holy Names Educational Ministries, approved by the Vatican, is governed by a Sponsors' Council which includes Sisters and Catholic lay people. This Ministerial Public Juridic Person is dedicated to sustaining SNJM Catholic educational institutions by promoting and ensuring leadership and justice in the spirit of the Gospel to "attain for all people conditions of life more equitable and more worthy of human dignity" (SNJM Constitutions 14).

These educational ministries promote excellence in education and espouse the following core values:

- **Full development of the human person**  
*Cultivating and respecting the talents, abilities and potential of each person, contributing to the development of all aspects of a person's life*
- **Education in the faith**  
*Creating an atmosphere which invites people to live Gospel values and their Catholicity, while they develop and express their faith*
- **Hospitality**  
*Being a gracious, accepting and welcoming presence for each person*
- **Dedication to women and children**  
*Seeing, understanding and responding to the needs of women and children*
- **Dedication to justice**  
*Committing time, energy and resources to the pursuit of right relationships of equality, justice and solidarity*
- **Service to people who are poor or marginalized**  
*Reaching out and responding to people who are impoverished, abandoned or living at the fringes of society*
- **Commitment to liberating action**  
*Seeking with others the freedom needed to live life fully without oppression*