*PU Gimnazija Podgorica*

# Mission, Vision and Educational Philosophy

These statements guide our educational purpose, our aspirations and the way we support learning throughout the school.

## Mission

Through quality education and lifelong learning, Gimnazija Podgorica develops inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people. We support their academic, personal and social growth, foster intercultural understanding and respect for different perspectives, and encourage them to act responsibly in their local and global communities. We empower our students to contribute to a more peaceful world and become positive role models for future generations.

## Vision

To be a learning community where young people grow into knowledgeable, caring and internationally minded individuals who value their own heritage, respect other cultures and perspectives, and contribute to a more peaceful and sustainable world.

## Educational philosophy

At Gimnazija Podgorica, we believe that education should develop the whole person. Academic achievement goes hand in hand with personal growth, physical and emotional well-being, creativity and a sense of responsibility towards others.

We place students at the centre of learning, encouraging them to ask questions, investigate ideas, think critically and reflect on their progress. Through challenging and meaningful learning experiences, we help students become independent, principled and collaborative learners who approach new situations with curiosity and confidence.

We value our language, culture and heritage while developing an understanding of the wider world. Learning about different cultures and considering different perspectives help students recognise that people with different experiences and views can also be right. Respectful dialogue, empathy and intercultural understanding are essential to our school community.

We believe that every student deserves an inclusive and supportive learning environment in which their strengths are recognised and their learning needs are addressed. Education is a shared responsibility involving students, teachers, families and the wider community.

We encourage students to connect learning with action, contribute to their communities and consider the wider consequences of their choices. Our aim is to nurture lifelong learners who use their knowledge and skills responsibly to make a positive difference locally and globally.