

Office of Mission Integration

Mission Minute

Week of 1/31/22



As one of our [Four Pillars](#), Community is “at the Heart of Dominic’s Charism” and to Dominic, building community was a way for us to “see everything, and everybody, that surrounds us - including what’s often overlooked as well as the stuff that’s more obvious.”

In that regard, opening our eyes; our hearts; our minds to those around us is essential for Dominican schools to truly build community. In a Christ-like manner, Dominic committed himself to building community “one person, one gesture, one word, one action, one prayer at a time.”

From then, until now, Dominican values remind us that community begins with hospitality - opening our lives up to others - and this begins with us seeing others - *all others* - as neighbors; “...this kind of respect helps relationships deepen.” This endeavor requires “the energy and imagination of youth...the wisdom of experience...the commitment of a lifetime” to achieve - and the work continues today! (<http://www.op.org>)
