

The Richland Pride

Tryout Packet

2021-2022



Due by

Thursday May 6th

By 3:00pm

Paper copy: H204 or G207

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Richland Pride Member Candidate:

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of The Richland Pride. Please carefully read this packet in its entirety before committing to the tryout process. Make sure you can be faithful to all requirements. If you are chosen to be a part of our organization, you will be held accountable for full knowledge of our constitution's standards and expectations.

Tryouts will consist of the following:

- **A Video Application (Due with your application on Thursday May 6th)**
- **Citizenship Score compiled from Teacher Recommendations, attendance, and discipline**
- **Skit Day - Tuesday, May 11th 2:50-5:00 in Gym 3**
- **Interviews – Thursday, May 13th in the Omni Room (You will sign up for a time slot between 3:00-5:00)**

We are looking for 10-15 students who exemplify the following:

Dedication to Richland High School-As a Pride Member, you must have a positive attitude about our school and its teams, staff, students, and opportunities as the organization has a significant influence on school morale. You must also be committed to being a mentor for the underclassmen of our school.

High Moral Standards- Becoming a Pride Member is an honor. We are a highly visible group, and you must be able to maintain the highest of standards at all times. Once you are a Pride Member, your conduct, language, appearance, and attitude should be that of a role model for peers and younger students.

Commitment of Time and Energy to The Richland Pride Events-As a Pride Member, you will be expected to uphold all of the duties and responsibilities of the group including punctual attendance at all Pride events.

Commitment to the Community: The Richland Pride will be leaders in the community by supporting and developing ways to “give back” to our district and the city.

Requirements:

- **Your video and application (including all teacher recommendations and discipline form) are due by 3pm, Thursday May 6th. Make sure to complete the google form application as well.**
- **E-mail your video** application as an attachment or YouTube link to Ms. Kelley. Cameras are available in the library and videos can be recorded on campus before school or during lunch.
- **A copy of your most recent report card that includes attendance information.**

The Richland Pride organization is one with a rich history full of tradition and credibility in Northeast Tarrant County. Participation results in many rewarding experiences and valuable relationships that are remembered long after graduation. As we strive to uphold this tradition, please carefully consider the responsibilities **seriously** before proceeding with the tryout process.

Good Luck!

Sarah Kelley

The Richland Pride Co-Sponsor

Roger Aleman

The Richland Pride Co-Sponsor

Tryout Check List

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- Include a copy of your most recent report card with attendance information.
- Read the Constitution posted on the web.
- Read the BISD Honor Code posted on the web and turn in signature sheet.
- Hand out teacher recommendation forms to five of your **current** teachers.
- Turn in Discipline Form to the AP's office.
- Record your video application and e-mail the video or a link to your YouTube post to Ms. Kelley (sarah.kelley@birdvilleschools.net)
- Complete online application form. [Online Application form](#)
- Take or email Ms. Kelley (H204) or Mr. Aleman (G207) a completed application and all necessary documentation. An application is not complete without all forms and video.

Forms to submit:

- Printed answers to Tryout Questions
- Paper Application Form
- Online Application Form
- The Richland Pride Commitment
- Medical Information
- Discipline Form
- Transportation Permission
- Honor Code (Online)

Tryout Timeline:

- **April 19th**- Mandatory Parent Meeting
- **May 6th** – Applications due
- **May 7th**– Email sent with Round 2 information for applicants moving to live tryouts.
- **May 11th** – Bring comfy, casual clothes that will allow you to move about modestly for skit day tryouts.
- **May 13th** – Bring professional clothes to school for the interview.
- **May 14th** – Check The Royal Pride website to see if you made the team.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mandatory Parent Meeting Big Gym 4/19				
4/26	4/20 4/27	4/21 4/28	4/22 4/29	4/23 4/30
			Applications DUE by 3:00 PM. Email Videos by 3:00 PM.	Round 2 information sent via email by the end of the day.
5/3	5/4	5/5	5/6	5/7
	Skit Day @ 3PM in Gym 3		Interview Day in the Omni Room	Check The Royal Pride website. Team will be announced by 5:00 PM
5/10	5/11	5/12	5/13	5/14

Video Application & Tryout questions for The Richland Pride Candidates

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Task: Create a video that best displays your personality!

Things to consider as you create your video

- **Cameras are available in the library** and many of you have friends who will record for you. Cameras are also on your phones, many of which shoot 4K quality.
- **Turn in your videos early!** This will give us an opportunity to view them and make sure that the video works prior to the deadline. If they are sent at the deadline and do not work, your videos will **not** be judged. You should plan to have your video turned in BEFORE the deadline to avoid this possible circumstance.
- **Be clear, concise, and brief.** The entire video should be **NO LONGER than 1.5 minutes**. Points may be deducted if the video is too long.
- **This video is important.** Your score on this video will be combined with the scores that you receive from **teacher references and citizenship** and placed on a scale of 100. If you make it through this round, the live tryouts will be worth another 100 points for a possible combine total score of 200.

Task: type and print your original answers to the questions below. This paper is to be submitted with your application and judged by the panel.

Try out Questions:

1. What is the purpose The Richland Pride organization? What makes this group a unique organization at Richland High School?
2. The Richland Pride are leaders both on campus and in our community. As a leader, what are some unique ways that you would engage the student body and help them feel connected to the spirit of our school within and outside of school?
3. What qualities or talents do you possess that would set you apart from other students and make you an asset to The Richland Pride team?

Your video and the tryout questions will be judged by a panel of Richland High School Faculty and Staff. These judges will be different from the judges you will see in the interview, so they will not be biased by your videos. The judges will score each question on a scale from 1 to 10. You will also receive an additional 10 points as an overall score for your video/impression of you, the candidate as well as 10 points for creativity displayed in the video.

Application

Name: _____ Current Grade: _____ Age: _____

Birth Date: _____ E-mail: _____

Twitter handle: _____ Instagram: _____

Cell Phone Number: _____ Shirt size: _____

Parent/Guardian Names: _____

Parent/Guardian E-mail: _____

Parent/Guardian Numbers: Home _____ Cell _____

Emergency Contact Name (other than parent/guardian): _____

Relation to student: _____

Emergency Contact Number: _____

Please answer the following questions to the best of your knowledge.

(These questions are for information only and are not graded for your tryout ranking.)

- 1. What school-related activities have you been involved in?**

- 2. What school and out of school activities are you hoping to be involved in next year? Please also include job information.**

- 3. List the FIVE CURRENT teachers to whom you gave recommendation forms.**

The Richland Pride Commitment

I have read the Richland Pride Constitution and the Honor Code (both posted online) and understand the responsibilities and privileges of being a member of The Richland Pride. I will abide by these rules and regulations to the best of my ability.

I will cooperate fully with the sponsor and all persons and organizations concerned to promote spirit and good sportsmanship at Richland High School. I will commit to being an excellent role model for all students at RHS.

At all times, whether at school or away from school, I will conduct myself in a manner that best represents tradition, students, and faculty of Richland High School.

Signature: _____ Grade: _____ Date _____

Parent's Commitment:

I/We, _____ the parent(s) of _____
give permission for my/our child to tryout for The Richland Pride.

- I/We have read the constitution for The Richland Pride and accept the rules and regulations. I/We will also encourage my/our child to be a leader that the high school will be proud to have as a representative of the school.
- I/We also understand the financial obligations that must be fulfilled if my/our child is selected as a member of The Richland Pride.
- I/We understand that if my/our child is selected to be a member of The Richland Pride, the bill must be paid in full by the last day of school and that failure to pay this bill will result in the suspension of my/our child until the debt is paid.
- I/We understand that, if selected, my/our child must ride school-approved transportation to and from away games because of the responsibility the school has for my/our child.
- I/We understand that failure to follow the rules and regulations of the constitution and consequence system will result in dismissal or suspension from the team.
- I/We understand that my/our student must have a current UIL Medical History and Physical Examination Form on file with the sponsor and be covered by accident insurance.

Signature of Parent(s): _____ Date: _____

The Richland Pride – Medical Information and Waiver

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____

Are you currently taking any medication? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, list medication(s):

Are there any specific medical allergies, chronic illnesses or other medical conditions that the staff should be aware of:

Person to notify other than parent/guardian in case of an emergency:

Name

Phone Number

Insurance company: _____ Policy Number: _____

Name of person listed on the insurance card: _____

Family Doctor: _____ Phone Number: _____

I am fully aware of the risk, including the risk of catastrophic injury, paralysis and even death, as well as damages and other losses associated with participating in The Richland Pride activities and events. I further agree that Richland High School and the sponsors, along with employees, agent officers, and directors, shall not be held liable for any losses or damages occurring as a result of my participation in the events, except where such loss or damage is the result of the intentional or reckless conduct of the school or individuals involved.

If, in the judgment of the school, the above student should need immediate treatment as a result of any injury or sickness I do hereby request, authorize, and consent to such care and treatment as may be given to said student by any physician, trainer, nurse, or school representative. I do hereby agree to indemnify and save harmless the school and any school representative from any claim by any person on account of such care and treatment of said student.

Furthermore, I do hereby authorize, consent, agree, and request that any medical information necessary for the advancement of care for said student be shared with those individuals deemed necessary. My signature below gives authorization that is necessary for the school district, its trainers, coaches, associated physicians and student insurance personnel to share information concerning medical diagnosis and treatments for my student.

Parent/Guardian's signature

Date

Parent/Guardian's name (printed)

Phone Number

**Richland High School
The Richland Pride
Candidate Discipline Record**

Candidate Name: _____ Current Grade: 10th 11th

Each candidate is responsible for giving this form to their Assistant Principal to complete. The completed form requires an Assistant Principal and candidate signature.

**All students must submit this form to Betsy Thompson in the Assistant
Principal's office by Monday May 3, 2020.**

Please do not return this form to the candidate. Please return to Ms. Sarah Kelley's or Mr. Aleman's box by Thursday May 6th. Thank you for your assistance with The Richland Pride tryouts.

<u>Discipline Referrals</u>	<u>Action Taken</u>

_____ No discipline referrals for the 2020-2021 school year.

Candidate Signature

Assistant Principal Signature

Transportation Permission

Dear Parent or Guardian of RHS The Richland Pride Member:

Due to the design of our facilities in the Birdville Independent School District and the usage thereof, The Richland Pride may be required to leave campus, before, during or after school to participate in games and/or appearances. The Richland Pride will be responsible for providing their own transportation to the following locations:

- W.G. Thomas Coliseum, 6108 Broadway, Haltom City, 76117
- Hallie D. Shannon Education Center, 3120 Carson St. Haltom City, 76117
- Birdville Stadium, 6125 East Belknap, Haltom City, 76117
- Birdville Fine Arts/Athletics Complex (FAAC), 9200 Mid Cities Blvd, NRH, 76180
- Haltom High School, 5501 N. Haltom Rd, Haltom City, 76137
- Birdville High School, 9100 Mid Cities Blvd. NRH, 76180
- Snow Heights Elementary School, 4801 Vance Rd, NRH, 76180
- North Ridge Elementary School, 7331 Holiday Ln, NRH, 76182
- North Ridge Middle School, 7332 Douglas Lane NRH, 76180
- North Richland Middle School, 4800 Rufe Snow Drive, NRH, 76180

All of the above locations are within a five (5) mile radius of Richland High School.

I understand that my son/daughter _____, will be responsible for providing his/her own transportation to one of the above locations to participate in a practice and/or a scheduled athletic event.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian's name (printed)

Frequently Asked Questions

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1. How much does it cost to be a member of The Richland Pride?

Dues are paid in a series of installments. The first installment of **\$150.00** is paid by the member and is due by the first member meeting. This meeting is tentatively scheduled for **Thursday May 20th in room H204.**

The remaining dues will be paid through sponsorships from the community businesses or organizational and are to be acquired by the team member. The first sponsorship installment of at least **\$100.00** dollars is due **in June (date to be determined)**** at the team meeting. The final sponsorship installment of at least **\$200** is due **the first week of August****. These sponsors are intended to be community businesses and/or organizations as a way to advertise our organization, obtain additional funding, and a way for the sponsor to advertise their business.

These dues pay for uniforms (jumpsuits and t-shirts), megaphones, flags as well as other items as required.

****First and second sponsorship installment due dates will be finalized before the end of the school year.**

2. Can students be involved in athletics and/or other organizations?

Yes, The Richland Pride may be involved in other campus organizations/athletics; however, the following must be understood by the member:

1. The Richland Pride must be given equal or greater attention and commitment.
2. The student must have enough time to commit to The Richland Pride organization. In the fall semester, we attend all football games, participate in all pep rallies, and lead community service projects. These projects could include elementary and middle school visits, food, clothing and toy drives, teacher set up days, and others that might arise. In the spring we continue our responsibilities to spring season sports, community service, and hold our annual Lip-sync.
3. Please note that some organizations and sports are easier to accommodate than others. Before making a commitment to The Richland Pride, be sure to inform both The Richland Pride sponsor and the sponsor/coach of the additional organization of your intentions.

3. What summer commitments are involved?

1. All members are required to attend The Richland Pride retreat, if held.
2. All members are encouraged to attend social events designed by the captains. These are especially important to help the team bond before the beginning of the school year.
3. All members are required to attend all of paint week (which is more than just painting!). Please plan to be at school the two weeks prior the first day of class in August.
4. FISH Camp scheduled during paint week (more information to come at the member meeting).