

Why are we a Leadership School?

We believe that within each student lies the ability to lead. The Richland Middle School of Leadership provides a dynamic learning experience, promoting critical thinking, inspiring confidence, developing problem-solving skills, encouraging service to others, and nurturing the intellectual and social development necessary to fulfill the characteristics of the BISD Portrait of a Graduate.

Key Elements:

- Rigorous curriculum and high expectations
- Emphasis on 21st Century leadership skills such as: Collaboration, Civic Responsibility, Higher-order thinking, Adaptability, Curiosity, Creativity, Interactive communication
- Project-Based Learning and opportunities for field-based learning experiences
- Capturing Kids' Hearts strategies to promote a safe, positive environment in which students self-manage
- House sorting structure to develop community, identity, and accountability in which houses will compete against the other houses for points and rewards
- Leadership class to enhance personal growth and leadership skills

During the leadership course, students will participate in topics such as:

- 1. Developing Knowledge of Self and Others**
- 2. Defining Leadership**
- 3. Developing Leadership Skills and Practices**
- 4. Practicing Leadership through Service**