

#### **Vision Statement**

Every student will engage in a rigorous and integrative health science curriculum guiding them to make innovative 21<sup>st</sup> century contributions.

- IISD Advanced Curriculum taught by certified teachers with Gifted and Talented training
- Comprehensive, in-depth, and rigorous health science curriculum provided by Baylor College of Medicine that is supported by the latest computer and medical technology and unmatched by any other middle school in the Houston area
- Health Science Magnet Courses: Neuroscience - 6<sup>th</sup>, Scientific Decision Making - 7<sup>th</sup>, and Principles of Bioscience - 8<sup>th</sup>

OUR CURRICULUM

#### **NEUROSCIENCE:**

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In 6<sup>th</sup> grade students take Neuroscience, the study of the brain and its function in an exciting time of groundbreaking discoveries in neuroscience and psychology. Students participate in brain modeling activities, dissection labs and projects, as well as classroom activities geared toward collaboration and exploration.

## 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE BRAIN DISSECTION LAB

## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

#### **SCIENTIFIC DECISION-MAKING:**

In 7<sup>th</sup> grade, students take Scientific Decision-Making. Students will be exposed to scientific decision-making approaches as they are placed in the roles of scientists, healthcare providers and even persons with common and rare health problems. Through case-based examples, students will gain experience in scientific thinking, particularly framing questions, collecting information, analyzing data, considering choices, risks and trade-offs to, ultimately, making a solid evidence-based decision.





# Scientific Decision-Making

Heart Dissection Lab and Kidney Dissection Lab



## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade



#### PRINCIPLES OF BIOSCIENCE

In 8<sup>th</sup> grade students take Principles of Bioscience, a course for high school CTE credit. Students will gain practical lab experience in the context of careers in bioscience. They will learn innovative and current technologies used in the biomedical field and use these technologies to analyze data from hands on laboratory exercises, including nuclei acid isolation, recombinant DNA clonic PCR, and ELISA. This course offers a strong preparation of high school B content and provides an overview major concepts in the field of biotechnology.

We are the only middle school in the Houston area offering a Biotech Pathway. In 8<sup>th</sup> grade, students earn high school CTE credit and an invaluable exposure to Biology content from our Principles of Biomedicine course.

#### Paul Klotman President of Baylor College of Medicine Annual Visit

#### <u>Mission Statement</u>

In order to prepare students for the careers of tomorrow, we will provide them with engaging health science experiences through cooperative learning and technological integration.



At least once per month, our students have the opportunity to collaborate with doctors, scientists and health care workers from BCM and other health care institutions in our area.

### **HEALTH SCIENCE CLUBS**

Every student is expected to join a Health Science Club

# Texas HOSA- Future Health Professionals







HOSA **TEXAS FINALISTS HEADING TO FLORIDA** TO **COMPETE IN** HOSA **NATIONALS** (Disney World, 2019)

## **HOSA NATIONALS**



## **TEXAS STYLE**

# Technology Students Association

Students preparing for the fluid power action challenge.







## Technology Students Association

SECME Regional Competition December, 2019

## Brainstem Club

with

Biotech Graduate Students

from

**Rice University** 

# Brainstem Club

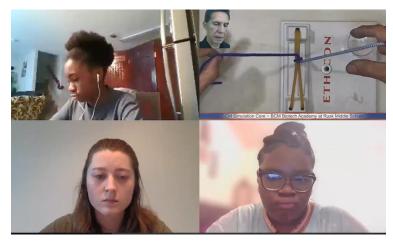
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#### H-SSTAT Fun Run benefitting the Alzheimer's Association

Health Science Students Taking Action Today Fun Run, November, 2019

## Opportunities For Students To Engage With Health Science Professionals

#### H-SOAR- Health Science Opportunities and Resources Internship Program



Learning Surgical Knots with Dr. Nilson Salas from Baylor College of Medicine



Celebrating our Inaugural Intern Group upon Completion of the Program (missing a few interns)

## BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

Radiology Department

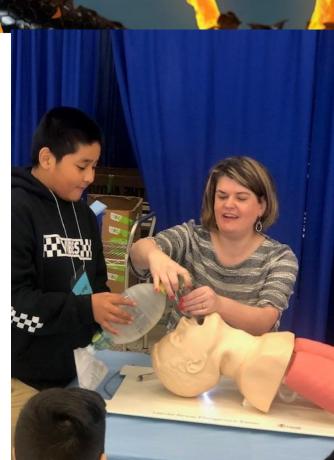


#### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

#### Visit to

#### BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

#### For a Simulation Experience





# E.E. **Chat and Chew Guest** eaker, Dr. Lechauncy Woodard



#### Students Visit Texas A & M College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences









# SCIENCE FAIR

Every student is expected to participate in Science Fair



Students have the opportunity to gain feedback and guidance from Scientists at Baylor College of Medicine on their Science Fair Projects during Saturdays with Scientists Events.



#### Our students interviewing scientists from Baylor College of Medici

#### Baylor College of Medicine's Ask Me About My Research



#### Pumps and Pipes Symposium Rice University





Students witnessed a live streaming of an open-heart surgery with the surgeon communicating with the symposium from the operating room.

## Blue Coat Ceremony, 2017

In 7<sup>th</sup> grade, students in a "Blue Coat" Cer assist students resented with their blue lab coats y. Faculty and trainees from BCM by don their new lab coats.

**Blue Coat Ceremony, 2018** 

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# Blue Coat Ceremony, 2019

# Leadership Opportunities

# Student Ambassadors

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## National Junior Honor Society



N J H S members raised \$250 to donate to Texas Children's Hospital Autism Center N J H S Students volunteering at the Autism Speaks Fun Run



# HEALTH FAIR HIGHLIGH S,



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Students Presenting Their Research with Lesson Activities to Elementary Students

#### Students Demonstrating the Anatomage Table to Parents







Our teachers and staff are students of Biotech, too.



## **Extra-Curricular Activities**

Robotics Brain Stem Club Guitar Basketball (boys and girls) Tennis Cheer **Color Guard** Softball Baseball Volleyball Soccer Cycling





## **Anatomage Table Training**

Teachers plan lessons for students to use this table to perform virtual dissections and to take an in-depth look inside the human body.





#### Teacher and Staff Professional Development at Baylor College of Medicine

# Opportunities for Students at Baylor College of Medicine Biotech Academy & Rusk

Student - Health Care Professional Monthly Collaboration

Chat and Chew

Saturdays with Scientists

- Science Fair Kick-Off
- Friday Night Science
- Hackathon
- Field Trips
- Professional Outreach
- Student Volunteer Opportunities
- Student Ambassadors

EVERY student is Part of a Health Science Experience

- HOSA HOSA Health Professionals
- TSA- Technology Students Association
- HLC- Health Leadership Council
- H-SSTAT- Health Science Students Taking Action Today

BrainSTEM

Student Internship Program

### Why You Should Choose Baylor College of Medicine Biotech Academy at Rusk

**Exposure to a Variety of Health Science Careers** A Rigorous Curriculum Success for Students of ALL Levels of Ability A Well-Rounded Program Including Opportunities for Volunteering and Giving Multiple Health Science Clubs A Fully Equipped Biotech Lab State of the Art Technology, such as, the Anatomage Table Invaluable Support from our Medical and Community Partners 2-million-dollar MSAP Grant Supporting Our Program 

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