

# Guiding Principles: Sharpstown High School

Guiding Principles articulate a school's vision, values, hopes and ideals to the design team. Guiding Principles will be used to "test" the decisions that are made throughout the design process, since every element of the building must be created to support the school's vision and values.

## Sharpstown High School's Guiding Principles

### Sharpstown High School promotes:

#### **A Culture of Success and Achievement–**

We are a highly structured, focused, and accountable school whose culture drives student achievement. Our focus is on the complete development of young adults who embrace our creed:

#### Apollo Creed

I will respect myself and others.

I will do my personal best.

I will make good decisions.

I will honor myself, my family, and my school.

I will graduate prepared for college or the career of my choice.

Together We Can-Whatever It Takes-No Excuses!

#### **An Environment of Success –**

At Sharpstown High School every student will be inspired to develop academically, ethically, physically, and socially with the tools and knowledge needed for college and career readiness.

#### **Collaboration for Success –**

All spaces encourage the academic community (teachers/students, students/students, teachers/teachers, parents/teachers/students) to work collaboratively to facilitate a culture of high expectations. Physical space for both instruction and practice replicates real-life, professional settings.

**Community Involvement for Success –** Sharpstown High School is more than just a building for students. It's a neighborhood institution whose physical structure and open concepts offer opportunity and availability to the greater Houston community.

**Safety Allows for Success –** Sharpstown will have an open visible environment with a logical flow.