

HISD MEDIA ADVISORY

Ascending to Men Project to host roundtable discussions with students, community leaders

WHAT: The Houston Independent School District's Ascending to Men (ATM) Project will host two spring roundtable discussions with students and community leaders to foster dialogue centered on the importance of mentorship and how students can take advantage of leadership opportunities.

Participants will discuss the skills necessary to thrive in leadership roles, and will share their perspectives on the impact mentorships can have on students' success.

The panel discussion on Feb. 27 will be moderated by Lawson MS theater teacher and actor **Kedrick Brown**, who recently starred on episodes of NBC's "New Amsterdam" and The CW's "Black Lightning." The panel discussion on March 5 will be moderated by **Welby Goode**, Community Engagement Coordinator for Harris County Commissioner Rodney Ellis.

ATM seeks to provide positive role models and advocates for underserved young men in the district with guidance and opportunities for educational, social, and professional growth.

WHO: HISD Board of Education Trustees, HISD Interim Superintendent **Grenita Lathan**, HISD Assistant Superintendent of Equity and Outreach **Ken Davis**, district administrators, mentors, students, parents, and community members

WHEN/WHERE: Thursday, Feb. 27
6-8 p.m.
Lawson Middle School, 14000 Stancliff St., 77045

Thursday, March 5
9:30-11 a.m.
Washington High School, 4204 Yale St., 77018

RSVP: Media interested in attending either event **must** RSVP to pressoffice@houstonisd.org or 713-556-6393.

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