

Irma Lerma Rangel Young Women's Leadership School

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Mission Statement

The Irma Lerma Rangel Young Women's Leadership School exists to nurture young women in leadership roles in a global society, through a community dedicated to rigorous educational and cultural experiences. To ensure that students graduate from college, we will prepare young women to succeed in all fields, particularly math, science and technology. Our core values are College Preparation, Responsible Leadership and Wellness.

School Description and History

The Irma L. Rangel Young Women's Leadership School is a public magnet school for young women in grades six through twelve. It opened as the first public school for girls in Texas in 2004 as a unique public-private partnership between the Dallas Independent School District and the Foundation for the Education of Young Women. Admission is highly selective, based on Texas state standardized test scores, academic performance and teacher recommendation. Entry points are generally in the 6th and 9th grades. Irma Lerma Rangel was the first Mexican-American woman elected to the Texas House of Representatives. Her spirit inspires the school's core values, which are brought to life through experiential and service learning, summer enrichment camps, advisory and mentoring programs and a college preparatory curriculum.

School Community

Students come from the greater Dallas metroplex. The student body is distinguished by its cultural and ethnic diversity; approximately 72% of the students are Latina, 18% African-American, 5% Non-Latina White and 3% Asian. 72% of the high school students qualify for free or reduced lunch. 85% of the Class of 2014 are first-generation college bound. Total enrollment is 546 students; high school enrollment is 262.

Alumnae

Class of 2009 – 21 graduates
Class of 2010 – 43 graduates
Class of 2011 – 32 graduates
Class of 2012 – 27 graduates
Class of 2013 -- 44 graduates
Class of 2014 – 49 graduates

Co-Curricular Opportunities

Academic Decathlon, Student Council, League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), Key Club, Gay Straight Alliance, UIL One Act Play, Green Team, Choir, Orchestra, Handbell Ensemble, Posey Leadership Institute (Austin College), IGNITE, Mock Trial, Drill Team, Step Team, Geo Club, National Junior Honor Society, National Honor Society

Sports

- Intramural Soccer, Lacrosse, Basketball, Volleyball
- UIL Varsity sports through home campuses

Pre-AP / Advanced Placement Courses

Pre-AP Algebra I & II
Pre-AP Biology
AP Biology
AP Calculus AB
Pre-AP Chemistry
AP Chemistry

Pre-AP English I & II
AP English Language
AP English Literature
AP Environmental Science
Pre-AP French III
AP French Language ***

**** Not offered since 2012; ** Not offered since 2010-2011; First offered 2013-2014**

Pre-AP Geometry
AP Human Geography
AP Macroeconomics
Pre-AP Physics
AP Physics **
Pre-AP Pre-Calculus

AP Statistics
AP Studio Art **
AP U.S. History
AP World History
AP Spanish Language
A.P. U.S. Government & Politics

Instructional Schedule Students take 8 classes each semester. Classes are 90 minutes in length and taught on a block schedule.

College Admission Officer Visit Policy

College admission officers are invited to contact the College Bound Advisor to make an appointment during the school day.

Grading Scale and Grade Point Average

The equivalent scale for numerical grades on a 4.0 grade point system is as follows:

A 90-100 4.0 **B** 80-89 3.0 **C** 70-79 2.0 **F** Below 70 0.0

The GPA is not weighted to reflect Pre-AP (honors level) or Advanced Placement work. All eligible courses in grades 9-12 are graded on a 100 point scale. All courses taken for state or local high school credit in grades 9 – 12, courses taken in summer or evening school, approved correspondence courses and courses taken for concurrent (dual) college credit are included in the GPA. Scores earned via credit by examination or examinations taken for acceleration are not included in the GPA.

Class Rank

Rank in class is based on a weighted grading system. Weights are assigned to courses as follows: Advanced Placement 9, Pre AP and Dual Credit 8, Regular Education 7.

Graduation Requirements

Students follow the Texas Distinguished Achievement Program (DAP) consisting of 26 credits.

English	4 years	Fine Arts	1 year
Mathematics	4 years	Health	½ year
Social Studies	4 years	Physical Education	1.5 years
Science	4 years	Electives	3.5 years
Language other than English	3 years	<i>Community Service</i>	Rangel requirement of 110 hours
Speech	½ year		

Elective Courses Anatomy & Physiology, *Banking & Finance, Business & Computer Information Systems, Choir, Communication Applications, Creative Writing, Entrepreneurship, Handbell Ensemble, Humanities, Infinity Engineering, Introduction to Engineering Design, Journalism, Advanced Journalism, Literary Genres, Marketing, Multimedia, Music History, Orchestra, Peer Assistance & Leadership, Psychology, Photography, Sociology, Research and Technical Writing, Spanish IV, Web Mastery, Yearbook (not offered since 2010-2011, not offered since 2011-2012, first offered 2013-2014, Dual Credit)*

CLASS OF 2013: 95% enrolled in a four-year college or university and 5% enrolled in a two-year college.
167 alumnae have been offered over \$15M in academic and merit scholarships.

Standardized Test Scores

ACT (44 test takers) Mean Scores: E 22.6 M 22.7 R 23.3 Sci 22.1 Composite 22.8

SAT (43 test takers) Mean Scores: Critical Reading 514 Mathematics 544 Writing 531

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ADMISSION 2009-2013

**Enrolled*

Abilene Christian University	Lafayette College	Tarleton State University *
Agnes Scott College	Lawrence Technological University *	Texas A & M University, College Station*
Alabama State University	Lehigh University *	Texas A&M University, Commerce *
American University	LIM College	Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi *
Angelo State University	Louisiana State University	Texas A & M University, Galveston*
Art Institute of Dallas *	Loyola Marymount University (CA) *	Texas A & M International University
Austin College *	Loyola University, Chicago	Texas Christian University*
Babson College (MA)	Loyola University, New Orleans *	Texas Lutheran University *
Barry University*	Maine Maritime Academy	Texas Southern University *
Baylor University *	Mary Baldwin College	Texas State University, San Marcos *
Benedictine College (KS)	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Texas Tech University *
Berklee College of Music	McDaniel College *	Texas Wesleyan University
Boston University	Michigan State University	Texas Woman's University *
Bradley University (IL)*	Midwestern State University *	Trinity University (TX)
Brigham Young University*	Mills College *	Tufts University
Brookhaven College *	Milwaukee School of Engineering	University of Arkansas
Bucknell University (PA)	Mountain View College*	University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff *
California College of the Arts	Mount St. Mary's College (CA) *	University of California, Davis
California State University, Chico	Newman University	University of California, Irvine
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona	New York University	University of California, Riverside
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo	New School for Design, Parsons Paris	University of California, Santa Cruz
Case Western University	Northern Arizona University	University of Central Florida
Cedar Valley College *	Northwestern University	University of Colorado, Denver
Chapman University	Northwood University*	University of Delaware *
Clarkson University*	Oglethorpe University *	University of Denver
Clemson University	Oklahoma State University*	University of Evansville
Cleveland Institute of Art	Oklahoma Wesleyan University*	University of Houston *
Colorado State University	Oral Roberts University*	University of the Arts *
Columbia College (IL)	Otis College of Art & Design*	University of the Incarnate Word *
Columbia College, Chicago	Our Lady of the Lake University *	University of Mary Hardin Baylor*
Concordia University (TX)	Pace University	University of Michigan
Cornell College (IA)	Pennsylvania State University	University of Mississippi
Cornell University*	Pitzer College	University of Missouri
Creighton University	Polytechnic Institute of NYU	University of New England
Dallas Baptist University	Prairie View A&M University *	University of North Haven
Dillard University *	Pratt Institute	University of North Texas *
Drexel University	Pratt Institute MWP *	University of Notre Dame *
Earlham College*	Providence College	University of the Pacific
Eastfield College *	Purdue University*	University of Pittsburgh *
El Centro College *	Randolph College	University of Portland
Emory University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*	University of Redlands
Evangel University	Rhodes College	University of Rochester*
Florida A&M University	Rice University	University of San Francisco
Florida Atlantic University	Richland College *	University of Southern California *
Florida Institute of Technology	Roosevelt University (IL)	University of Tampa
Florida International University	Rust College *	University of Texas, Arlington *
Florida State University	Saint Louis University (MO)	University of Texas, Austin *
Fordham University (NY)	Saint Mary's University (TX)	University of Texas, Dallas *
Furman University	Sam Houston State University *	University of Texas, San Antonio *
George Washington University	San Jose State University *	University of Texas, Tyler *
Goucher College	Santa Clara University	University of Tulsa
Grambling State University	Schreiner University*	University of Washington
Grayson County College *	School of Visual Arts	University of West Florida
Gustavus Adolphus College	Seattle Pacific University	Walla Walla University *
Hampton University (VI)	Southern Illinois University, Carbondale	Washington State University
Hendrix College*	Southern Methodist University *	Watkins College of Art, Design & Film
High Point University	Southern University and A & M College	Western New England College
Hofstra University	Southeastern University (FL) *	Wheaton College
Holy Cross College (MA)	Southwestern University (TX)	Willamette University
Houston Baptist University	Southwestern Assemblies of God University	Woodbury University
Howard University *	Southwestern Adventist University	Xavier University (OH)
Humboldt State University	Spelman College	Xavier University of Louisiana
Iowa State University	Spring Hill College (AL)	
Jackson State University	State University of New York, Stonybrook	
Johnson & Wales University	Stephen F. Austin State University *	
The King's College	Stetson University (FL)	
	St. Ambrose University (IA)	
	St. Edward's University (TX) *	
	St. John's University (NY)	
	St. Lawrence University (NY)*	
	St. Peter's University (NJ)	
	Syracuse University	