

# SERVANT STUDENT LEADERSHIP

## Introduction

At TDChristian High School, we believe that true success encompasses much more than academic achievement alone. It involves nurturing students' emotional, social, and spiritual growth by enfolded, engaging, and empowering them to become well-rounded individuals who are prepared to thrive in all aspects of life.

As part of this initiative, TDChristian is introducing a vital program that will play a pivotal role in shaping the lives and paths of students: the Servant Student Leadership Program. As we desire to be a place where students learn for service in the light of God's word, the Servant Student Leadership Program will provide opportunities to equip students with the tools they need to embrace these values. By growing in these areas, students will develop into leaders who not only excel academically but also serve with humility, integrity, and faith, preparing them to make a meaningful impact in the world.

## Rationale

Our Student Servant Leadership Program is a dynamic initiative designed to cultivate Christ-centered leaders through intentional mentorship, discipleship, and real-world leadership opportunities. At the heart of the program is a strong teacher-student partnership that enhances both academic and spiritual development. Teachers will be modeling servant leadership to the students in a variety of ways including in their role as mentors, walking alongside students to guide their growth in faith and leadership.

Each student will work with a teacher-mentor to develop a **Personalized Leadership Development Plan**, setting collaborative goals that reflect their unique gifts, calling, and areas for development. Regular Coach and Connect meetings will help track progress and ensure students are being meaningfully challenged and supported.





Students will have opportunities to demonstrate their leadership through real-world applications, including planning and leading assemblies, co-creating devotionals, organizing school-wide events, mentoring younger students, and participating in community outreach and service initiatives. These experiences are designed to help students live out their faith in tangible ways and lead with purpose and integrity.



By combining intentional discipleship, hands-on leadership experiences, and personalized mentorship, this program seeks to raise up servant-hearted leaders equipped to influence their communities for Christ – both here at TDChristian and wherever the Lord leads them.

## Core Values

- **Faith in Action:** Our students are called to live out their faith through acts of service, demonstrating God's love in practical, impactful ways that inspire positive change in their communities.
- **Service Focused:** We believe that true leadership begins with serving others. Through this program, students will learn to lead by serving, recognizing that the most effective leaders are those who prioritize the needs of others.
- **Embracing Authenticity:** The program will encourage students to embrace who they truly are, celebrating their individuality and authenticity as they lead with integrity and compassion.
- **Choosing Integrity:** Our program emphasizes the importance of making ethical decisions, acting with honesty, and leading by example, all while staying true to our Christian values.
- **Growth Mindset:** Through this leadership development journey, students will be challenged to continually grow, learn from their experiences, and seek improvement both in their leadership skills and their walk with God.





This is an exciting initiative designed to cultivate Christian leadership through purposeful engagement, mentorship, and service. This program is built around **three distinct streams**, each offering unique opportunities for students to grow and lead: Peer Counselling, Student Life, and Trip Leaders.

Each stream operates independently, guided by a dedicated mentor or leader, and follows a Coach and Connect model. This approach is centered on relationship-building, intentional coaching, and spiritual growth, empowering students to lead with compassion, confidence, and Christ-centered values.



Mr. Colin Hoving

## Peer Counselling

A student-led initiative designed to create a supportive and inclusive environment where students can connect with trained peers. Selected students receive training in communication and interpersonal skills to effectively assist others. Students will support their peers through active listening, empathy, and encouragement, helping to foster trust and connection within the school community.



Ms. Rachel Petrusma

## Student Life

Student life is a dynamic and integral part of the overall educational experience, offering opportunities beyond the classroom for personal growth, social connection, and Christian leadership development. Student life focuses on creating a vibrant and inclusive school culture through events, and community-building activities, student life encourages participation, school spirit, and a sense of belonging among all students. This holistic approach helps foster a positive environment where everyone feels valued and engaged.



Ms. Racheal Weening

## Trips

Trips offer students the opportunity to engage in meaningful off-campus experiences that promote personal growth, cultural awareness, and community connection. Whether through service trips, outdoor adventures, or educational excursions, the program encourages students to step outside their comfort zones and learn through real-world experiences. Trips prepare students to lead while cultivating responsibility, teamwork, and spiritual reflection in diverse environments, the program helps foster leadership skills and a deeper understanding of themselves and others, making it a transformative part of the lives of students.

While each stream has its own specific goals and rhythms, the entire leadership team will come together three times throughout the year. These gatherings will serve as key moments to focus on personal leadership development, foster unity among the streams, and take a meaningful "pulse check" on the overall health and spiritual wellbeing of the school community.

***Together, this program aims to equip students with the tools and experiences they need to lead with purpose and to serve with humility.***



### Questions?

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