

# SMARTS

Students Making Achievements Right This Second



## What is SMARTS?

SMARTS is a student-driven initiative that empowers students to take an active role in making decisions aimed at improving their school, district, and community. Students lead the way in creating meaningful programs and experiences that drive positive change.



## Core Principles of SMARTS



### Empowerment with Responsibility

Students are not just participants—they take full responsibility for initiating, developing, and running the programs they create.



### Value in Learning, Not Just Outcomes

The process of learning and growing is just as important as the results.



### Reflection for Growth

Reflection is key to self-awareness and personal development.



### Dialogue and Debate Among Equals

Students engage in meaningful conversations, debates, and decision-making as equals.



### Critical Thinking and Inquiry

Students engage in inquiry and focus on developing their critical thinking skills.



### Social Change Connections

Students explore ways to create positive social change through their work.

## Transformative Leadership

The work of SMARTS students is rooted in a continuous improvement process that fosters transformative leadership. Our mission is to equip students with the skills and experiences to become change-makers in their schools, communities, and beyond.

