



## Ryan Howard

“Hard work beats talent when talent fails to work hard,” is a quote that resonates with The Meadows School Student Body President Ryan Howard. For him, the words embody the “no excuses” mindset that has driven him to succeed in all his endeavors. From the athletic arena, to the classroom to the student council chambers, he knows that with hard work and determination, he can always find solutions to problems and the best in the situation. Possessing of an innate obligation to step in and make change when it’s warranted, as well as a desire to take care of those he loves, Ryan Howard consistently demonstrates the kind of courage and character that elevates him to— A Step Above.

### G.P.A.: 4.3

### Sports/Clubs:

- Varsity Basketball, 2020-Present
- Varsity Baseball, 2020-2022
- Varsity Track and Field, 2022-Present
- National Honor Society, 2022-Present
- Mu Alpha Theta (Math Honor Society), 2022-Present
- Black Student Alliance, 2021-Present

### Awards/Community Service:

- H Geometry Academic Award, 2020-2021
- H Introduction to Economics and Personal Finance Academic Award, 2021-2022
- H Physics Academic Award, 2022-2023
- 2A Basketball State Champion, 2022
- 2A Baseball State Champion, 2022
- Track & Field School Record Holder (4x400), 2023
- Miracle League, 2022-Present
- Puerto Rico Service Trip, 2022

**What are your top priorities as Student Body President?** “My top priority as Student Body President is to make school an enjoyable experience and to have everyone truly excited to walk into the doors every morning. I will try to accomplish my goals by connecting with other leaders around me, communicating with faculty, and connecting with the student body to see what they truly enjoy.”

**How has being in student council enriched your educational and personal experience?** “Being in student council has enriched my educational and personal experience by helping me realize the importance of and effect that my decisions have on the people around me. Being in student council has better prepared me to be successful in my relationships.”

**What are your top priorities as Student Body President?** “I am most proud of my accomplishments that come in the academic field, because it has been something that I have had to work really hard for and also something that did not come naturally to me.”

**What is your most unique quality?** “I think that my most unique quality is my ability to embrace change. Throughout much of my life, I was afraid to try new things. As an African American, I’ve found myself in many positions where I was truly the only one. Now I am in a position that many people like me have not been in before. These experiences have led me to try and inspire change anywhere I can, because learning to embrace change has, in my opinion, made me a better person.”