To ensure academic success for all RISD students, we believe...

• In creating a safe learning environment that empowers every student in RISD to take risks, be creative, find acceptance, and grow;
• That education is an effective tool that can prepare every student in RISD for life after high school including teaching life skills;
• That every student in RISD will have the capability and desire to learn and rise to the level of expectations for individual success.

Students in RISD will develop competencies in the areas of:

**FINANCIAL LITERACY**

• Comprehend financial skills and available resources (earning, spending, saving/investing, borrowing, and protecting money).
• Apply knowledge of financial skills to real life situations learned through simulations/experiences.
• Demonstrate the use of critical thinking, math skills and technology as tools to analyze financial reports/scenarios.

**CRITICAL THINKING/PROBLEM SOLVING**

• Undertake risks with thoughts and ideas and learn through mistakes in a supported environment.
• Analyze problems, evaluates options and applies solutions.
• Exhibit curiosity, tenacity, resourcefulness, and innovation in and out of school.

**REAL WORLD CONNECTIONS**

• Communicate and collaborate effectively.
• Advocate for self and others.
• Adapt and be flexible.

**EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION**

• Engage in multiple methods of communication including oral, written, and non-verbal, where all participants feel heard, valued, and understood.
• Understand the audience and the situation and identifies the appropriate response.
• Communicate professionally using a variety of methods and technologies.

**EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE**

• Develop a positive self-worth and increase belief in one’s self and one’s capacity to thrive in different situations.
• Advocate effectively for self and form resiliency in the face of adversity.
• Values others (cultural awareness, being open-minded).

For more information: www.RISD.org/GraduateProfile

GRADUATE OUTCOMES

Through Cultivation of these Competencies, RISD Graduates will be Equipped with...

Problem-solving, critical thinking, and creativity skills that have been developed and applied in real world scenarios and experiences to achieve individual goals.

Meaningful and effective communication skills to address audiences appropriately in a variety of ways.

Tools to succeed in their choice of college, post-secondary training, and/or career post graduation.