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**LARGEST TEXAS CHARTER SCHOOL SYSTEM PREPARES ITS LEADERS FOR 2015-16
WITH 2020 VISION IN MIND**

MONTGOMERY, TX - The largest charter school system in Texas, Harmony Public Schools (HPS), held its Annual Leadership Retreat in Montgomery, TX this week. HPS prepares for each new school year by hosting school administrators from all 46 HPS campuses throughout the state, for the purpose of training and exposing them to nationally recognized experts in various educational fields. This event helps the organization take steps toward its ambition 2020 Strategic Plan.

HPS hopes that by 2020, through leadership, coordination, and hard work the school system will be actively changing the lives of more than 30,000 students each year across Texas and nationally, setting them on a course for success in college and career.

Informative, interactive sessions on leadership were conducted by Dr. Todd Whitaker, a professor of educational leadership at Indiana State University, as well as Eric Sheninger, former award winning principal and current Senior Fellow and Thought Leader on Digital Leadership with the International Center for Leadership in Education (ICLE). An additional evening session was facilitated by former United States Ambassador and former State Board of Education (SBOE) Chair, Chase Untermeyer.

Other distinguished guests were present for parts of the retreat, including former HISD Board of Education Member and investment banker Laurie Bricker, and State Board of Education Member David Bradley, who was honored for his continued support of HPS during the opening session.

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About Harmony Public Schools

Harmony Public Schools is a charter network with 44 high performing K-12 college preparatory charter schools across Texas. Harmony blends high standards and expectations with a rigorous math and science-centered curriculum, and dedicated and engaged teachers and families, to cultivate excellence and prepare students to succeed in college, careers and life. For 15 years, Harmony has prepared Texas children for the careers that are driving the economy of the future. To learn more about Harmony Public Schools and our 44 campuses across Texas, please visit: www.harmonytx.org , and follow us on Twitter at @HarmonyEdu and 'Like' us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/harmonytexas.