



Why an Academy?

Fort Bend ISD High School
Academies exist to provide
specialized learning communities
with concentrated and robust
course pathways comprised of
career and academic classes.

Academies...
Making a World of Difference

*Find out more about this program through the
Fort Bend ISD website at www.fortbendisd.com.*

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Global Studies Academy

Fort Bend Independent School District
ACADEMY
program

Travis High School • Global Studies Academy

OVERVIEW

The Global Studies Academy (GSA) exists to equip students to effectively solve the challenges society will face in the future while developing multi-faceted global citizens. Students are empowered to become innovative global thinkers who celebrate diversity. The Academy promotes global citizenship by focusing on languages, culture and current events. The Academy also fosters leadership by exposing its members to a variety of situations from a globally-integrated perspective while offering opportunities in student government, community service and cultural awareness activities.

APPLICATION

Students are selected based on the following criteria:

- Completed application found on the Fort Bend ISD website
- Successful completion of all parts of the 7th grade STAAR exam
- 7th and 8th grade semester grades in math, science, ELA and social studies
- Interview / Presentation – the presentation details will be provided when the interview time is confirmed
- Final acceptance is contingent upon successful completion of all 8th grade courses and all parts of the 8th grade STAAR exam

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS/ COMMITMENTS

- Complete 4 credits of Languages other than English (LOTE) in the same language on campus.
- Complete the Capstone course and Global Business.
- Must be enrolled in preAP, AP, Honors or Dual Credit English all four years at the campus.
- Must earn 5 credits in Social Studies inclusive of World Geography, World History and AP Human Geography at the campus.
- Participate in four pre-approved global studies events annually.
- Complete 100 hours of community service while enrolled in the Academy.

ACADEMY EXPECTATIONS

- Academy students must be enrolled in the appropriate sequence of academy and academic courses as outlined in the program guidelines at all times.
- Academy students must maintain a 75 or higher in all academy specific courses.
- Academy students must maintain a 70 or higher in all other courses.
- Academy students must complete 12.5 hours of community service each semester for a total of 25 hours per school year as approved by the Academy Coordinator.
- Academy students must participate in at least 1 enrichment activity per grading period as outlined by the Academy Coordinator.

FOUR YEAR ACADEMY COURSE PATHWAY

- Students take four consecutive credits in the same World Language
- Global Business is taken as a Senior
- GSA Capstone course is taken as a Senior
- Social Studies courses are taken in the appropriate course sequence

WORLD LANGUAGE COURSE OFFERINGS

Spanish
French
German

Latin
Chinese
Japanese

Course offerings are subject to change in the event that the Texas Education Agency makes changes to approved courses and/or due to low enrollment.

