

Frequently Asked Questions

Parents

Can what my student is learning in his/her Academy course be used in the real world?

Yes! Students will use 21st century skills learned in their courses both inside the classroom and out in the community.

- Critical Thinking
- Leadership
- Collaborating
- And A Lot More!

What activities does the Academy offer aside from the co-horted courses?

Academy students have the opportunity to attend a variety of cultural presentations, grade level field trips, experience guest speakers, travel abroad, and take on leadership roles.

Where can I find details regarding Academy courses and activities?

Visit the Academy website at www.fortbendisd.com/globalstudies

How is the Academy curriculum going to benefit the student in his/her professional studies at the collegiate level?

Instructors are experienced and passionate professionals with travel, cultural, and advanced training. Students will learn skills that put them ahead of their future classmates and better prepare for them an ever changing globalized world.

Are Academy students provided transportation for afterschool activities?

No, all students must have their own transportation if staying afterschool for an extra-curricular activity.

Is transportation provided?

At this time the District picks up/drops off non-zoned Academy students at their zoned elementary campus.

Will there be events my freshman must attend during the summer before starting high school?

YES! There will be course selection, a Mentor/Mentee Meet & Greet, workshops for incoming freshman Academy students, and an Academy Freshman Orientation. A calendar of events will be available after final commitment.

What kind of jobs can my child obtain with the skills s/he has mastered in the Academy?

Our students can apply their skills to a variety of majors and careers. According to College Board, a degree in Global Studies most often lends itself to:

- Foreign Service Officer
- Government Executives and Legislators
- News Analysts, Reporters, and Correspondents
- Public Interest lawyers or Advocates



Are the academic courses at Travis taught at the same level as other campuses?

All FBISD faculty teach the same objectives/ skills. AP courses at THS are taught at the same rigor as AP courses at other FBISD high schools.

Is my student able to participate in extra-curricular activities and be in the Academy program?

To help students develop their leadership skills, we encourage Academy students to get involved in clubs/organizations in which they are passionate and where they feel a connection to the program and school.

Will my student graduate with college credit?

Student can enroll in AP or dual credit courses during high school in order to earn college credit. Contact your student's academic guidance counselor to learn more about these courses and when they are offered.

What time does the Academy bus depart campus in the afternoon?

All buses leave campus immediately after school.

Does my student have to reapply every year?

No, once accepted and committed to the Academy program you become an incoming Academy freshman.

Do Academy students go to class with non-Academy students?

Yes! Academy students are THS Tigers. Academy courses are co-horted but other academic courses are not. Academy students participate in the same extra-curricular activities as all THS students.