



L. V. HIGHTOWER HIGH SCHOOL

2015-2016

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SCHOOL DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY

Fort Bend Independent School District is located in the northeast part of Fort Bend County, immediately southwest of Houston and Harris County. The Fort Bend Independent School District encompasses the incorporated cities of Missouri City, Sugar Land, Fresno, Arcola, Rosharon, Meadows Place, and a small portion of Houston. It covers 170 square miles. Within the district are 45 elementary schools, 14 middle schools, 11 senior high schools, one alternative high school, two Centers for Learning and a Technical Education Center.

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Opening its doors in 1998 to the communities of Missouri City, Fresno, and Arcola, Hightower High School is FBISD's seventh and most innovative high school. Students from around the district are selected each year to attend the career academies specializing in Medical Sciences and Digital Media.

ENROLLMENT 2015-2016: 2206

Seniors – 544 Juniors – 537 Sophomores – 539 Freshmen – 586

FACULTY: 175; 47% have Master's Degree or beyond

ACCREDITATION: Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and the Texas Education Agency

SCHEDULE: Classes meet for a 7 period day, 50 minute periods.

RECOGNITIONS

TEA Recognized Campus 2009-2010

HIGHTOWER HIGH SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT:

Who I am makes us what we are...

...Respected in the eyes of others and myself

...Supported in the process of achieving my goals

...Optimistic about the success of myself and others

CURRICULUM:

- Hightower provides a strong academic program with more than 200 possible course selections including an extensive vocational-technical curriculum. HHS is home to FBISD's Medical Science and Digital Media Academies, which provide focused curriculum in these areas to prepare students for future careers.
- Options are available for students to earn college credit during the school day through the College Now program. CN courses currently at HHS are English 4 and US Government.
- Advanced Placement courses at HHS are available in English, Calculus, Statistics, Chemistry, Biology, Physics, U.S. History, World History, Human Geography, Psychology, Government, Economics, Spanish, Computer Science, and Art History. The pre-AP program offers courses in English, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Foreign Languages.
- UIL-sponsored athletic programs for young men and women are offered in football, basketball, tennis, track, soccer, golf, swimming, diving, volleyball, baseball, and softball.
- Co-curricular programs include choir, band, dance team, student government, service and academic clubs, athletics, speech/debate, Academic Decathlon/Octathlon, and UIL academic competitive subjects.
- Gifted and Talented programs are available in English, math, social studies, and science. AVID elective is also available.
- Instruction is available for special needs through Special Education and Bilingual/ESOL instruction.

POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS

Class of 2015

Four Year College	76%
Two Year College	18%
Military & Employment	6%

ETHNIC DISTRIBUTION

Asian	11%
African American	58%
Hispanic	28%
White	2%
Multi-Racial/Other	1%

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLAR PROGRAM

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Finalists	1	2	N/A	3	0
Semi-Finalists	3	3	1	3	1
Commended	10	5	11	10	2
Nat'l Hispanic Scholars	1	1	1	2	N/A
Outstanding Black Scholars	1	1	3	2	1

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
# Students Tested	397	259	235	279	265
# Exams Taken	784	548	479	505	608
# Receiving 3+:	229	185	142	159	130
% Receiving 3+:	57.7	71.4	60.4	57.0	49.1

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS TESTING DATA—

SAT Reading	HHS	TEXAS	NAT'L
2010-2011	493	479	497
2011-2012	469	474	496
2012-2013	485	477	496
2013-2014	479	476	497
2014-2015	469	470	495

SAT Writing	HHS	TEXAS	NAT'L
2010-2011	488	465	489
2011-2012	461	461	488
2012-2013	475	461	488
2013-2014	477	461	487
2014-2015	463	454	484

SAT MATH	HHS	TEXAS	NAT'L
2010-2011	503	502	514
2011-2012	489	499	514
2012-2013	505	499	514
2013-2014	496	495	513
2014-2015	480	486	511

ACT COMPOSITE	HHS	TEXAS	NAT'L
2010-2011	21.4	20.8	20.8
2011-2012	20.9	20.8	21.1
2012-2013	20.7	20.9	20.9
2013-2014	20.9	20.9	21.0
2014-2015	20.4	20.9	21.0

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS AND PROGRAMS

The Recommended Program credits for the 2015-2016 graduating seniors:

English	4	Science	4	World Languages	2	Health	½	Fine Arts	1
Math	4	Social Studies	4	P.E./Equivalent	1	Speech	½	Electives	5

CLASS RANK

All high school credit courses attempted are included in the calculation of the Grade Point Average. GPA = Total Grade Points divided by the total number of courses attempted. Grade points are assessed based on the grade and level as follows:

	Honors-H/AP/GT/PREAP	Advanced-AD
A (100-90)	6	5
B (89-80)	5	4
C (79-75)	4	3
D (74-70)	3	2
F (69-0)	0	0

Level Designations	Transcript Legend	
AD-Advanced	C-Correspondence	L-Local Credit
AP-Adv. Placement	R-Summer School	D-Dual Credit
G or GT-Gifted/Talented	N-Night School	T-Credit by Exam
H-Honors	J-High school course taken in middle school	
S-Special Ed	H/P-Honors/Adv. Placement	