

Academy Programs of Plano Parent and Student Information Meetings

Application and Selection Timeline

Incoming ninth grade students who desire to attend one of the Plano ISD High School Academies and live within the Plano ISD boundaries are invited to complete an application online.

INFORMATION MEETINGS: November 1-November 16, 2017

APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE ONLINE: Open on November 13, 2017 and close on December 15, 2017

NOTICE OF PLACEMENT: January 5, 2018

COMMITMENT FROM STUDENT: January 12, 2018

Meeting Details

Plano ISD Health Sciences Academy

Plano ISD Health Sciences Academy meetings are held at Williams High School Cafeteria at 6:30 p.m. on November 6, November 14 and November 16, 2017. Contact Heidi Cardenas at heidi.cardenas@pisd.edu with questions.

IB World School

IB World School information meetings are held in three locations all at 6:30 p.m.: November 2 at Plano Senior High Theater located at 2200 Independence Parkway, November 13 at Plano East Senior High Theater located at 3000 Los Rios Boulevard and November 14 at Plano West Senior High Theater at 5601 W. Parker Road. Kathy Witcher at kathy.witcher@pisd.edu with questions.

Plano ISD Academy High School

Plano ISD Academy High School information meetings are held at the Academy High School at 6:30 p.m. on November 1, 6 and 9. Contact **Pam Conner** pam.conner@pisd.edu with questions.

Additional information and applications for the Academy Programs of Plano can be found at www.pisd.edu/academies.

Plano ISD Health Science Academy

The Plano ISD Health Sciences Academy includes a unique partnership with Collin College and is housed at Williams High School for 9th and 10th grades and Plano East Senior High School for 11th and 12th grades.

Students in the Health Sciences Academy have the opportunity to earn college credits as well as pursue workforce certifications that may include Certified Nurse's Aide, Patient Care Technician, EKG Technician, Phlebotomy Technician and Emergency Medical Technician.

Plano ISD Career & Technical Education (CTE) offers additional courses in Theory/Clinical, Pharmacology, World Health Research and Biomedical Science.

Students in this program work with state-of-the-art equipment and are connected to our local medical community through guest speakers, field trips and clinical placements in skill-based classes.

Health Sciences Academy students are prepared to enter the health care field upon graduation and may also have college credit hours to enable them to advance in a college or university.

IB World School

The IB World School at Plano East is a challenging, pre-university course of study that aims to encourage students to be knowledgeable and inquiring, but also caring and compassionate. There is a strong emphasis on encouraging students to develop intercultural understanding, open-mindedness and the attitudes necessary for them to respect and evaluate a range of points of view. The program encourages a concurrent study of a broad range of academic areas. It is this comprehensive range that makes for a demanding program designed to prepare students effectively for university entrance.

Plano ISD's locally developed 9th and 10th grade International Honors program prepares students for the expectations of the 11th and 12th grade IB Diploma program. In the 11th and 12th grades, students enroll in courses in six academic areas, participate in service learning, write an extended essay and take a Theory of Knowledge course which examines the "ways of knowing." Not only do IB students have the opportunity to earn college credit, they are also able to navigate, engage and contribute on a national or international stage.

Plano ISD Academy High School

Located at 1701 Alma Road, Plano ISD Academy High School is the home of the Titans. AHS is an innovative, project based learning (PBL) community for 9th through 12th grade students. Learners at Academy High School work in teams and solve challenges based on STEAM: science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics.

Academically challenging courses at Academy High School are integrated in authentic, ever-changing ways, based on each new phase of the project. These demanding PBL experiences are anchored in real-world issues that connect learners to professionals in our community and beyond.

Teams of learners generate solutions by making prototypes in the fabrication lab, researching and creating presentations on digital devices and refining project work in the makerspace. These creative solutions are presented to outside audiences who provide feedback. Additionally, 11th and 12th grade students have the opportunity to earn dual credit through the University of Texas at Austin.

Academy High School strives to inspire creativity and empower students to thrive and compete in a rapidly changing world.