



Plano ISD

ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

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Accreditation
Texas Education Agency

Mission Statement

To build a community of learners empowered to collaborate and compete in a rapidly changing world.

About Our School

In the fall of 2013, Plano ISD Academy High School was opened with 255 9th and 10th graders. Our school has grown to 400+ 9th-12th grade. Learners apply to the school and are selected by lottery. This is an innovative, project-based learning community committed to fostering a professional environment and inspiring creativity. With an emphasis on science, technology, engineering, arts, mathematics (STEAM) and interdisciplinary connections, student learning is anchored in real world experiences which rely on continuous collaboration with others, both inside and outside the school.

Graduate Profile

% attending college: 96%
Attending 4 Year University: 76%
Attending 2 Year College: 20%
Tech/Work/Military Svc./Other: 4%

Class of 2019 Profile

Total number of graduates: 95
Top 10% GPA distribution: 4.025-3.978

Academic Rigor

Academy High School curriculum maintains rigorous content based standards while having an interdisciplinary focus on critical thinking, communication skills and research skills; all through a site based curriculum unique to the campus and its mission. Learners have the opportunity to earn twelve dual credit hours.

About Our Community and District

Plano is a suburban city of approximately 270,000 residents located just north of Dallas. The Plano Independent School District is comprised of three early childhood schools, 44 elementary schools (K-5), thirteen middle schools (6-8), six high schools (9-10), three senior high schools (11-12), one 9-12 high school, and a Special Programs Center. Plano Academy High School is one of three academy programs within Plano ISD and is a 9-12 campus. Plano ISD serves the residents of 114 square miles in the southwestern corner of Collin County. The district enrollment is approximately 55,000 students.

Extracurricular Activities

Learners have the ability to participate in extracurricular activities during the school day. Club formation and campus activities are driven by learner interest and initiation. They foster mixed grade level interaction and offer learners a forum in which to share and pursue their collective passions.

Rank in Class

Class rank is based on cumulative semester averages from grades 9-12. Correspondence and online courses are not computed into class rank. [Final rank in class and grade point average are determined at the end of the third nine weeks grading period of the senior year.] Plano ISD Academy High School does not rank learners beyond the top 10%. Learners in the top 10% will have a certificate of rank provided with their transcript.

GPA and Grading System

The grading system supports providing learners with specific feedback focused on growth. Learners receive narrative feedback on formative assessments enabling them to improve upon their submitted work, extend their inquiry and reflect upon their efforts. Scoring is based on knowledge of learning goals. Grades are given at the end of each nine week grading period. Grades are given as A,B,C,F. All courses are counted equally on a 4.5 unweighted grade point scale. Final course grades are calculated at the end of each semester.