



**PLANO ISD  
HEALTH SCIENCES 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 grade and Plano East Senior High School for 11th and 12th grade.

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, Emergency Medical Technician and Pre-Health Information Management through the clinical tract.

Plano ISD Career & Technical Education (CTE) offers additional courses in Practicum/Clinical Rotations, 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.



**THE IB WORLD SCHOOL  
AT PLANO EAST SENIOR HIGH**

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.

The 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 grade, 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-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 maker’s space. These creative solutions are presented to outside audiences who provide feedback.

Additionally, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students have the opportunity to earn dual credit through the University of North Texas.

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





# ACADEMY PROGRAMS OF PLANO PARENT AND STUDENT INFORMATION MEETINGS

## Health Sciences Academy

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November 16 7:00 pm Plano East Sr. High School IB Commons, Building 1 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	November 30 7:00 pm Williams High School Auditorium	December 1 7:00 pm Williams High School Auditorium
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## The IB World School

Contact: Kathy Witcher [kathy.witcher@pisd.edu](mailto:kathy.witcher@pisd.edu)

November 14 7:00 pm Plano East Sr. High School Auditorium	November 16 7:00 pm Plano West Sr. High School Auditorium	November 17 7:00 pm Plano Senior High School Auditorium
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## Academy High School

Contact: Pam Conner [pam.conner@pisd.edu](mailto:pam.conner@pisd.edu)

November 10 7:00 pm Academy High School	November 15 7:00 pm Academy High School	November 29 7:00 pm Academy High School
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Additional information and applications for the Academy Programs of Plano can be found at  
<http://www.pisd.edu/academies>

## Application and Selection Timeline

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

Information Meetings and Middle School Presentations  
November 3-December 1, 2016

Applications Available Online  
November 2, 2016

Applications Due  
December 9, 2016

Notice of Placement  
January 6, 2017

Commitment from Student  
January 13, 2017

