



The Academy of International Studies at Independence High School

2017-2018 Application

The Academy of International Studies will function as a "school within a school." AIS will provide students with the necessary skills to be successful in the twenty-first century and will empower all students to be engaged citizens of the world. The Academy will emphasize international studies through an integrated curriculum intertwined with global awareness of current issues. The Academy will give students the opportunity to develop relationships and experiences with the other cultures, societies and people of the contemporary world.

Early Decision Application Due: February 24, 2017

Regular Decision Application Due: March 24, 2017

A student may enroll in AIS during any of his/her four years at Independence. A student enrolling in the AIS Program at Independence High School is required to take all courses required for graduation under North Carolina law and those required by the program. As a part of the AIS program, students need to take Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior Seminars as well as at least three years of a World Language. In addition, students are required to complete at least 120 hours of service learning by the time of graduation, where 80 hours are locally based and 40 hours interact with the global community. Please see the AIS Course of Study Outline for further details regarding the Certificate of Completion and Certificate of Participation.

9th – 12th GRADE REQUIRED COURSES

AIS ENGLISH
AIS SEMINAR
AIS HISTORY
AIS SCIENCE
AIS WORLD LANGUAGE

* Standard and Honors Level courses offered

* Service learning is required for all grade levels

Part 1: Please complete the following information:

Student Name _____ Preferred Name: _____

Student I.D. # _____ Grade Level 2016-2017 _____ 2016-2017 School Attended _____

Student Email Address _____

Home Address _____ Zip Code _____ Home Phone # _____

Student Birthdate ____/____/____ Age ____ Race ____ Gender ____

Check any that apply: _____ Free or reduced price lunch _____ 504 Plan _____ EC

Language(s) other than English spoken in the home: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(1) _____ Work Phone # _____
(Please Print) Last First Middle

Parent Email Address(1) _____ Cell Phone # _____

Parent/Guardian Name(2) _____ Work Phone # _____
(Please Print) Last First Middle

Parent Email Address (2) _____ Cell Phone # _____

Part 2: Please read through and check the boxes and initial next to the box underneath the appropriate spot

As an AIS Student, I will...

- attend classes regularly, be on time and adhere to all school rules
- work with the AIS Director and IHS Student Services to tailor my academic plan
- complete at least 120 hours of service learning (80 local; 40 international) and complete at least 20 local hours and 10 international hours during each academic year
- successfully complete all AIS Seminar courses
- embody G.L.O.B.A.L
- take 3 or 4 years of a world language
- collect evidence for my Graduate Portfolio System
- take responsibility for my education
- take action when appropriate (contacting teachers, staff, Ms. Willett etc)



- G** Global
- L** Love of Learning
- O** Open to ideas (from around the world)
- B** Beacon of excellence
- A** Adapted to the needs of students
- L** Leaders of tomorrow



_____ I understand the requirements for The Academy of International Studies and wish to enroll and make a commitment for the 2017-2018 school year and that I must complete an exit form in order to be removed from the program. (Please put your initials on the line)

As an AIS Parent/Guardian, I will...

- support my child's learning by checking on his/her work and keeping in touch with teachers and the AIS Director
- support AIS's Mission, Vision and Core Beliefs
- volunteer to support my child and AIS students
- help my child to meet all the requirements of the AIS program.

_____ I understand the requirements for The Academy of International Studies and wish to enroll my child and make a commitment for the 2017-2018 school year and that I must complete an exit form in order to be removed from the program. (Please put your initials on the line)

Part 3: Please submit an answer to ONE of the following questions in the space provided: _____

1. Why do you wish to be a part of of the AIS community? **OR** 2. What is your personal interest in the global (international) studies?
OR 3. How do you think that AIS can help expand your world view?
(Your response can be a short paragraph and may be written here)

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Return Applications to Ms. Katie Willett

The Academy of International Studies at Independence HS

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