



The Academy of International Studies at Independence High School

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Dear Future AIS Students, Parents, and Guardians,

We are excited that you are interested in pursuing global studies through the Academy of International Studies at Independence High School. We live in an ever-increasing interdependent world that presents new opportunities and challenges for tomorrow's leaders. The need for international cooperation and understanding is essential.

We believe that completing your high school education through the AIS Program of Study that you will have access to the world through the study of cultural, historical, political, ethnics and economic factors which continue to shape our world. This is done through specific courses and requirements that foster **civic engagement** and social responsibility to promote learning and scholarship while serving at the local, state and international levels by being an informed global citizen.

We are not a magnet school, and therefore your "home" school must be that of Independence High School. If your home school is that of Independence High School, then you simply need to complete the AIS Application that asks for some personal and demographic information as well as you to provide a brief statement about your interest in international studies.

The deadline for applications is April 9, 2018. You may fill out an electronic form of the application at our website, or via this link <http://bit.ly/AIS2018>. You will also find a paper version of the application there. If you choose to submit a paper copy, please send it to Katie Willett's attention at Independence High School.

Again, thank you for interest in the Academy of International Studies. We look forward to having you as a part of our community.

Sincerely,

Ms. Katie Willett
Director