



Undergraduate Studies Academy (USA)

USA provides an academy experience for all freshmen. PALS (Patriots Achieving, Leading, and Succeeding) is a curriculum that is designed to provide the necessary skills for academic and social success. The academy focus is designed with rigor, relevance, and personalization. PALS provides a variety of both innovative and traditional lessons that encourage students to plan for high school and beyond for post secondary education. Learning for Life, a Dade partner and Character Education Leader, exposes the students to Explorers: a worksite, hands-on experience in fire-fighting, culinary arts, law enforcement, and government.

ACADEMY SUPPORT TEAM 2009—2010

ACADEMY LEAD TEACHERS

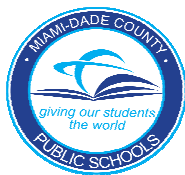
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NAF Academy of Hospitality & Tourism



NAF Academy of Instructional Technology



Academy of Biomedical Careers



Engineering Academy for Student Excellence



Fine Arts Academy



Law Studies Academy



Undergraduate Studies Academy

CURRICULUM *The Patriot Academies*

Luis Diaz, Principal



Academy of Biomedical Careers (ABC)

The Academy of Biomedical Careers (ABC) will familiarize students with various health care professions. Students will receive a comprehensive curriculum to assist and prepare them for entry-level health care careers and post-secondary education. The ABC contains a curriculum that spans ninth through twelfth grades. Opportunities for internships will enhance their skills. American High School partners with various post-secondary institutions to provide further opportunities for our ABC students. The curriculum will be aligned with a relevant, rigorous curriculum that will foster relationships and support workplace standards.



NAF Academy of Hospitality and Tourism (AOHT)

The National Academy Foundation (NAF) Academy of Hospitality and Tourism (AOHT) provides students with a career in one of the world's largest industries. The course of study includes travel, hotel management, sports, entertainment, and event management, and includes the study of geography, economics, and world cultures. Through their academy experience, students gain an understanding of the connections that exist between their education and post-secondary opportunities. Academy teachers and industry mentors will support the curriculum provided by NAF. With a host of travel-related business and community partners, the academy will foster a personal, rigorous curriculum, along with the technical and communication skills needed for a career in the hospitality and tourism industry.



NAF Academy Of Information Technology (AOIT)

The National Academy Foundation (NAF) Academy of Information Technology (AOIT) prepares students for career opportunities in programming, database administration, web design and administration, digital networks, and other areas in the expanding digital workplace. The curriculum and training assists our students in understanding the business world and technology in our ever-changing global economy. The academy supports careers in Computer Programming, Multimedia Developer, Network Support Specialist, Webmaster, to name a few. The training will prepare our students for fulfilling careers, as well as post-secondary education. All AOIT courses satisfy the practical arts requirements for graduation.



Engineering Academy for Student Excellence (EASE)

The mission of the EASE Academy is to prepare students to enter into one of the sixteen fields of engineering through classroom experiences and industry relationships. Problem-solving and technological proficiency will serve as the foundation for developing and presenting creative innovations. Students will receive comprehensive instruction to prepare them to take advantage of post-graduate opportunities. The projects, competitions, speakers, demonstrations, and course material will provide the skills for collegiate and workplace entry-level positions.



Fine Arts Academy

The Fine Arts Academy offers a challenging curriculum designed to meet the needs of the students interested in the field of performing and visual arts. American High School engages its students with innovative classes designed to nurture their talent in dance, music, theatre and the visual arts. Graduates of the Fine Arts Academy will be prepared to apply and audition for leading colleges and universities. Students may enter their respective professional fields: composing; jazz instrumental performances; music education; choreography; dance; acting; song writing; graphic design; journalism; illustration; art education; photography, advertising and vocalist.



Law Studies Academy

The mission of the Law Studies Academy is to equip students with the necessary skills to become future leaders in the fields of law, law enforcement, and forensic science. Students in the Law Studies Academy will not only learn the academic theories required to succeed, but also how to put them into practice through Academy projects, county competitions, and extended classroom experiences (e.g., visits to courtrooms, jails, police stations, and police forensic labs). Furthermore, they will be immersed in law fundamentals (e.g., the origins of crime, understanding the law, and due process in the criminal justice system) while guided by attorneys, judges, police officers, forensic scientists, and university/college representatives. American High's Law Studies Academy lends itself to constant collaboration with an experienced team of teachers, numerous agencies, educational partners, and academic entities.