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Frequently Asked Questions

Live Oak Academy

Live Oak Academy is Hays CISD's Alternative School of Choice, serving students in grades 10–12. Since 1999, we have provided a personalized educational experience in a smaller school setting designed to help students stay on track for graduation.

Through in-person accelerated learning, flexible scheduling options, and meaningful connections with our staff, students receive the support they need to achieve their academic goals while preparing for college, careers, military service, or other post-secondary opportunities.

Is Live Oak Academy the same as the DAEP (Impact)?

No. Live Oak Academy is Hays CISD's Alternative School of Choice and is separate from the District Alternative Education Program (DAEP) where students are sent through disciplinary placement. Students apply because they are seeking a smaller school environment, flexible scheduling options, and personalized educational experience. Admission is based on an application review and specific eligibility criteria.

How are classes different from a traditional high school?

Live Oak Academy offers an in-person accelerated blended learning model that combines teacher instruction with online coursework through Edgenuity. Students' progress at an individualized pace while receiving support from certified teachers. As courses are completed, students may begin new coursework without waiting for the next semester, which allows them to accelerate.

Are all classes self-paced?

Our campus is a blended learning model. While students complete much of their coursework independently, teachers provide instruction, monitor progress, answer questions, and offer individualized support. Some courses also include classroom instruction and preparation for required state assessments.

Do you accept students receiving Special Education, Section 504, or other special services?

Yes. Applications are reviewed individually to determine whether Live Oak Academy can appropriately meet each student's academic and support needs. At this time, we are unable to accept all accommodations due to staffing and space limitations.

Do you have transportation?

Live Oak Academy utilizes the Hays CISD transportation system. Students zoned for Johnson High School or Lehman High School will ride their assigned bus to their home campus and then board the Live Oak Academy shuttle to LOA. At the end of the school day, students will take the shuttle back to their home campus and then board their assigned bus home. Please note that bus transportation is available only for students attending the traditional high school schedule.

Frequently Asked Questions cont.

Can I participate in UIL activities?

Live Oak Academy is a 2A UIL school. Under UIL rules, students may not participate in UIL activities through another Hays CISD high school while enrolled at Live Oak Academy.

Will I receive the same certified high school diploma as other Hays CISD high schools?

Yes. Live Oak Academy is a fully accredited Hays CISD public high school, and graduates earn the same Hays CISD diploma as students attending any traditional high school in the district.

What happens after I submit my application?

Our admissions committee conducts a comprehensive review of each application. Families may be contacted for additional information before an admission decision is made. Once the committee makes a decision, families are contacted regarding acceptance.

What type of student is successful at Live Oak Academy?

- Demonstrates self-motivation
- Works independently and manages time effectively
- Maintains good attendance
- Takes responsibility for learning
- Is committed to achieving graduation goals

Why do families choose Live Oak Academy?

- Smaller, supportive learning environment
- Flexible scheduling options
- Individualized learning pathways
- Accelerated opportunities for credit completion
- Meaningful connections with teachers and staff
- Focused preparation for graduation and life after high school

Still Have Questions?

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Live Oak Academy

Hays CISD Alternative School of Choice

Please complete the application to the best of your ability. Return your completed application to your school counselor, email or drop it off at Live Oak Academy (LOA). All applications are reviewed by an admissions committee and then you are scheduled for a face to face interview.

Today's Date: _____

Student Name: _____
(First) (Middle Initial) (Last)

Home Address: _____
Physical address in Hays CISD

City:_____ State:_____ Zip Code: _____

Mailing Address: _____
If different from Home Address

Phone: _____ Alternate Phone #: _____ _____

Student Email: _____

Date of Birth:_____/_____/_____Current Age:_____ Sex: M / F
(Month) (Day) (Year)

With whom do you live?_____

Parent name:_____

Work/Cell #:_____ Email: _____

Parent name: _____

Work/Cell #:_____ Email:_____

Guardian or Stepparent:_____

Work/Cell #:_____ Email: _____

Spouse's Name:_____
(If Applicable)
Work/Cell #:_____ Email: _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Current/ Last Grade Level:_____ Student ID: _____

Number of Credits Awarded:_____ Expected Graduation Year: _____

Date last enrolled in school:_____

Name of Hays CISD high schools and grade levels attended: *Example: Hays HS 9th &10th and part of 11th*

_____

School Counselor's Name:_____

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Out of district high schools attended: Please list the district's name, school's name, grade and years attended.

Example: Leander ISD, Vandegrift HS, 11th, Spring 2018

Are you a school dropout? YES NO If yes, when did you stop attending school? _____

Have you ever been retained? YES NO If yes, what grade(s): _____

Special Education? YES NO

504? YES NO

Gifted & Talented? YES NO

Limited English Proficient Student (ESL or bilingual)? YES NO

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Do you have children or are you expecting? YES NO If YES:

Children'snames and ages: _____

Who cares for them when you are at school? _____

Do you presently have a job? YES NO

If yes, place of employment: _____

Supervisor's Name: _____ Work Hours*: _____

**Work hours may not conflict with scheduled school hours.*

What is your career goal?

Do you plan to further your education after high school? YES NO

College _____ *Trade* _____ *Other* _____

If you do not attend college or a trade school, what will you do after high school graduation (Military, Work, etc.)?

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENT:

Who recommended you apply to Live Oak Academy? _____

Who do you know who is or has attended Live Oak Academy? _____

ESSAY (required): Please complete the five essay questions on the next page. Ask your parent/guardian to complete the guardian part of the application and turn it in with your application.

I understand that Live Oak Academy is intended for students who are wanting to graduate at an accelerated pace, are at risk of dropping out of school, or have already dropped out of school. I understand that this school is a school of choice for students having a strong desire to complete the requirements for graduation, even if a graduation plan change is required.

I want to be considered for enrollment at Live Oak Academy and will perform with a positive attitude, be a responsible student, maintain good attendance, be punctual to school, and achieve to the best of my ability each day.

_____ _____

(Student's Signature) (Date Signed)

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STUDENT QUESTIONS (REQUIRED):

1. What has kept you from being successful at your current campus?

2. Why do you think you will be successful at Live Oak Academy?

3. Are there any challenges that you are currently facing that you want us to know?

4. What academic and/or attendance changes or improvements will you make if you are accepted?

5. What are your overall goals at Live Oak Academy?

Live Oak Academy

Student Attendance & Progress Contract

I understand and acknowledge that the following requirements are essential for my success and the success of others. Live Oak Academy is not a virtual campus; therefore, punctuality, consistent attendance, and academic productivity are critical to increasing my chances of graduating. I recognize that Live Oak Academy is a school of choice and that enrollment involves an application process. My continued enrollment is based on my ability to demonstrate that I can meet the expectations and succeed within the Live Oak Academy program.

To maintain enrollment at Live Oak Academy, I agree to meet the following expectations:

- Maintain a minimum of **90% attendance** each week.
- Be **on time** and attend all scheduled classes (whether on a full-day or half-day schedule).
- Properly follow **check-in/check-out procedures** through the main office when arriving late or leaving early.
- Complete a **minimum of 50 assignments weekly**, in any combination of enrolled classes.
- Consistently **demonstrate respect and value for oneself and others** as part of our campus culture.

Failure to meet the above requirements during any two-week period results in a probationary period. During this time, a support plan will be implemented to help you meet the enrollment expectations. This plan may include changes to your schedule, an alternate schedule, or meetings with your parent(s) and/or guardian(s). Your attendance, academic progress, and overall contributions to the Live Oak Academy community will be reviewed during a meeting with school administration to determine your eligibility to continue enrollment. If you do not meet the terms of the probationary contract or fulfill the requirements of Live Oak Academy, the school reserves the right to revoke your enrollment, and you will be re-enrolled at your home campus.

I have read and understand the conditions needed to be successful and enrolled at Live Oak Academy.

Student Name (print):_____ Student ID#_____

Student Signature:_____ Date:_____

Parent/Guardian Signature:_____ Date:_____

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TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/ GUARDIAN/SPOUSE:

Will you fully support this student in attending Live Oak Academy? YES NO UNSURE

**Ensure that you are fully informed about the Live Oak Academy program before turning in this application. You may email or call us during school hours, and we will be happy to answer any questions. **

Why do *you* think Live Oak Academy is a better option for this student?

I have carefully reviewed the Live Oak Academy application form and understand the selection process of Live Oak Academy. I may receive a call to further discuss this application and requirements of Live Oak Academy. If my student is selected and I am contacted to transfer them, I will be prepared to ask any further questions regarding the school or curriculum prior to withdrawing from the other campus and starting at Live Oak Academy.

_____ _____

(Parent/Guardian's Signature) (Date Signed)

Once the application is completed, please email or drop
It in the drop box outside our double front doors.

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