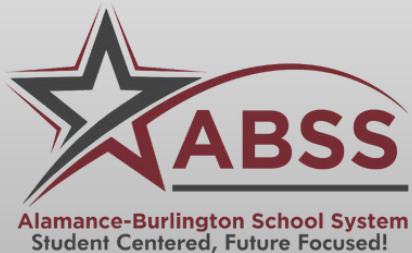


ABSS High School Specialty Programs



Information for All Programs

- Students will complete applications online. They can be found on the District Home Page or the school's website in which the program is held.
- Acceptance into any program will be contingent on the final outcomes of Second Semester.
- Transportation is provided to all programs.
- Students accepted into Early College, Pre-Collegiate, or IB will become a student at the assigned school. If you leave the program during your high school tenure then you will return to your zoned school.
- Students can participate in athletics if they make the team and are eligible.

The Application Process

- There is a common application for all 3 schools/programs.
- The application will open on November 27th. All program applications will close December 15th.
- Students will select which school/program they are applying for while completing the application.
- When they have submitted their application, they will receive a “thank you for completing your application” email and directions for the next steps in the process.
- These directions include the link (within a prewritten email) to the teacher recommendation form. It is the STUDENT’s responsibility to send the teacher recommendation to their teachers.
- Students will be notified of their acceptance status January 12. Students will be given 1 week to accept their spot into the designated program.

ABSS Early College



What is ABSS Early College?

- ❖ Our program is designed to give students the opportunity to earn your high school diploma and Associate's Degree at the same time with no direct cost to you or your family
- ❖ We are housed at Alamance Community College
 - Direct access to ACC resources: Math Lab, Writing Center, Foreign Language Lab, Library, and much more



Why is ABEC is great option?

Benefits

- The average cost for a public, 4-year college or university is \$17, 779
- The average cost for a private, 4-year college or university is \$36, 772
- Earning an Associate's Degree through ABEC cuts down on the amount of time needed in college to earn a Bachelor's degree or you can go to work with your Associates
- Class of 2023 earned a little over \$8.3 million in scholarships



Why is ABEC is great option?

Benefits

- ABEC students have access to smaller class sizes
- Field trips for college tours
- Spirit Weeks, prom, clubs, and so much more
- Play sports at your zonal school
- Students at ABEC have the opportunity to take collegiate level courses as early as their 9th grade year
- ACC Liaison support that provides insight into college planning at ACC and beyond



What are the Values of an ABEC student?

ABEC: Value Statements

Our Values	Who We Are	What We Do
ACCOUNTABILITY	Take ownership of our learning and contributions to our school, community, and world.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discover our passions and follow them• Use our strengths to assist others in a collaborative way• Using constructive feedback as opportunities for growth
BELONGING	Empathetic to the physical, emotional, social, and intellectual well-being of ourselves and others.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appreciate differences in perspective, background, culture, and circumstance• Serve others
EXCELLENCE	Strive to excel in academics, service, and overall character in order to reach our full potential.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Engage with the needs of our community through service• Pursue rigorous academic opportunities
COURAGE	Empowered to advocate for ourselves and others.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Face our fears and challenge our ourselves• Respond to set back and challenges with determination and resilience• Strive to do what is right, even when no one is looking



Parent Testimonials

"The ABEC experience has shaped, molded, and challenged our girls and our family on many levels. We love that our girls get a "sneak peek" into college life and the real world by facing the various experiences they will face in years to come while at ABEC. Couldn't ask for a better opportunity for our girls!"



"ABEC has been an amazing experience for my son. The teachers are so friendly and informative! Communication has been great! My son comes home everyday telling me how much he enjoys the challenges and how much he has grown in his learning. He loves that his friends can "be who they really are" and question and share things without being ridiculed or embarrassed. He feels like he has finally found a place where he fits in and can trust his teachers with anything."

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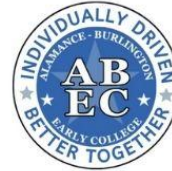


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Pre-Collegiate Academy

Graham High School



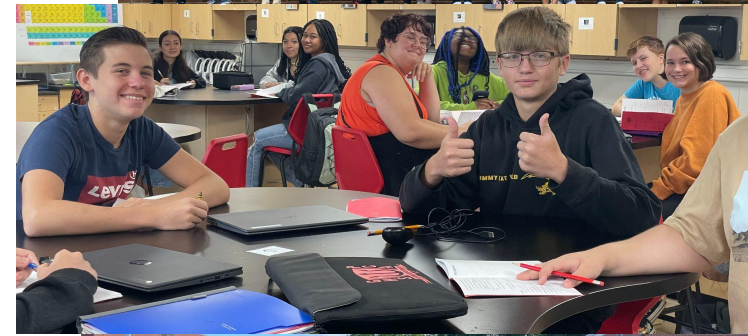
What is the Pre-Collegiate Academy?

- The Pre-Collegiate Academy began in 2017 to provide a growing number of students and families an opportunity to obtain college credit while still in high school.
- PCA is located on a traditional campus so that students can have a more personalized course of study with Advanced Placement and Honors classes.
- The goal is for students to obtain their high school diploma while simultaneously earning their associates degree.



Why Choose the Pre-Collegiate Academy?

- Traditional high school experience (including art, band, etc.)
- Making friends across the district
- Friendly, caring teachers
- Mentoring elementary students next door to the high school
- Job-shadowing with local businesses
- Being with students who have the same goals



Why Choose the Pre-Collegiate Academy?

- Complete your Associate Degree from Alamance Community College
- Athletes play for Graham High School
- Transportation provided from home to school and back home
- All-inclusive program to provide all learning opportunities without worrying about cost



What Can Students Expect with the Pre-Collegiate Academy?

- Cohorted classes with students within the PCA program (including the first semester at ACC)
- Rigorous coursework including Honors and Advanced Placement courses
- Creating clubs with teacher advisors
- Taking high school courses in preparation of college courses
- Academic support for high school classes with Intervention time
- Academic support for college courses with Tutoring centers
- One-on-one academic guidance through the PCA Coordinator

What Can Parents Expect with the Pre-Collegiate Academy?

- Up-to-date grades in PowerSchool
- Parent contact with teacher concerns
- Free tuition, materials, and textbooks for courses
- Emails from PCA Coordinator about upcoming information (high school and college)
- Customized learning plan for each PCA student
- College guidance with applications, FAFSA, scholarships, and testing



Pre-Collegiate Academy



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International Baccalaureate Program

Williams High School





What Makes IB Great?

- If selected to join the International Baccalaureate program, you'll be given the chance to earn college credits while fulfilling our IB mission of making the world a better place through education.
- Our IB students feel encouraged to openly participate due to our welcoming community of learners with similar academic goals.
- If selected you will enroll at Williams High School and will be able to take any classes of your choosing along with IB course selections resulting in a unique learning environment that is not offered at any other high school in Alamance County.
- Our IB program features courses that promote student choice and will truly allow you to explore your own global interests.
- You will also be able to participate in a wide-variety of clubs, sports and activities and upon graduation you will join a 75 year-old network of Bulldog alumni.

What is the International Baccalaureate Program?



IB Mission Statement

The IB develops inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through education that builds intercultural understanding and respect.

- Internationally recognized curriculum that features unique coursework aimed at providing students with a broad range of choices for inquiry
- Williams is one of 33 high schools in NC to offer this program
- IB, AP, and College coursework receive the same grade weight
- The UNC system awards college credit for IB classes and the IB Diploma

IB Student Learner Profile



KNOWLEDGEABLE
THINKER
REFLECTIVE
PRINCIPLED
INQUIRER
CARING
COMMUNICATOR
RISK-TAKERS

OPEN-MINDED
BALANCED



Walter M. Williams High School
International Baccalaureate



What Makes IB Unique?

1. Theory of Knowledge (TOK)
2. Creativity Activity and Service/Extended Essay (CAS/EE)
3. Freshman Leadership Seminar

The IB program gives you the opportunity to impact your community and enrich your learning experience. TOK, CAS, EE, Leadership courses will allow you to:

- Undertake new challenges.
- Plan and initiate activities.
- Work collaboratively with others.
- Show perseverance and commitment.
- Engage with issues of global importance.
- Consider ethical implications.
- Develop new skills.



Typical IB Schedule

Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
Semester 1	Semester 1	A Day	A Day
English 1 Honors	English 2 Honors	IB English 11 HL	IB English 12 HL
Math 2 Honors	Math 3 Honors	IB History of the Americas HL	IB World History HL
Health/PE	Chemistry	Advanced Foreign Language	IB Language B (Spanish or French)
IB Leadership Seminar	Honors/AP Elective	AP Calculus/AP Stats	IB Psychology
Semester 2	Semester 2	B Day	B Day
Biology Honors	AP Environmental Science	Theory of Knowledge 11	Theory of Knowledge 12
Spanish or French 1/2	Pre-Calculus	IB Bio (HL) or SEHS or ESS 11	IB Bio (HL) or SEHS or ESS 12
Economics/Personal Finance Honors	AP Government and Politics	AP/ACC Online Course/Elective	IB Math Applications or Analysis
Elective	Spanish or French 2/3	AP/ACC Online Course/Elective	IB Psychology or AP/ACC Elective

Student Testimonials



“IB sets you up for a path to succeed in the real world after highschool. You have an alternate way of critically thinking that others may not have.”

-Michael S.

“IB creates a lot of opportunities in the future and it’s almost like college. Once I’ve graduated I’d have habits built that would help me prosper in college.”

-Quenten M.



“IB promotes questioning before memorization and brings about valuable new perspectives. It has become the inspiration for many of my ideas and strong motivation for exploration.”

-Priya M.

IB Students Are Involved



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