

APPLICATION



Our Mission:

Educate. Accelerate. Graduate.

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Here are some frequently asked questions:

Q: How long has Live Oak Academy been around?

A: Live Oak Academy was initially named Academy @ Hays and established in 1999. Although the school changed names to Live Oak Academy in 2011, the spirit of our campus has continued. We pride ourselves in low teacher-student ratios, an accelerated academically-challenging curriculum, specialized scheduling options to fit our student's needs, and an environment that allows our students to show their individuality while still being a part of a small, close-knit community.

Q: Is Live Oak Academy where the kids that get in trouble go to school?

A: No, Live Oak Academy is the Hays CISD Alternative School of Choice, we are not the DAEP. To attend LOA students must apply, go through an interview process, and meet specific criteria to be accepted.

Q: Do I have to give up my UIL extracurricular activities when I change high schools?

A: LOA is a 2A UIL school. Due to our UIL affiliation, students may not participate in UIL through other schools. Our school offers individual sports, if your student is interested, please contact us directly.

Q: How are classes different than the traditional high school?

A: Live Oak Academy offers accelerated computer based programs. This means you can move through the lessons faster than a traditionally taught class and upon finishing a ½ credit, move directly into a new course without waiting for the semester to end. Being a part of our unique program allows students to complete classes faster, and graduate earlier than anticipated.

Q: Are all the classes self-paced?

A: No, we have what is considered blended learning. All classes are offered at an accelerated pace although some classes have curriculum taught according to the state STAAR test. These classes may have more traditionally taught elements to ensure that students are prepared for the State testing.

Q: What criteria do students need to meet to apply for the accelerated program at Live Oak Academy?

A: Have a strong sense of self-motivation and need to succeed and be able to work independently without direct instruction. Good attendance is essential to be successful at Live Oak Academy.

Q: The completed application has been turned in, now what?

A: We will review your application and look at your school records. This may be followed up with an interview. After the meeting, we will let you know if you are accepted or not.

Q: If I graduate from Live Oak Academy, do I get a standard diploma?

A: Yes. Live Oak Academy is a fully accredited high school and part of Hays CISD. We have our own graduation ceremony and students receive the same diploma as a traditional high school.

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, fax or drop it off to the front office of 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) (Maiden) (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 Step parent: _____

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 Date: _____

Date you were last enrolled in school: _____

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

Last Counselor's Name: _____

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

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

Gifted & Talented? YES NO

Honors Program? YES NO

How would you rate your reading ability? Excellent Fair Poor

Which EOC's have you passed?

English 1 _____ English 2 _____ Biology _____ Algebra 1 _____ US History _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Do you have children or are you expecting? YES NO

Children's names 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: _____

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? _____

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 four essay questions. Ask your parent/guardian to complete the guardian part of the application and turn it in with your application (if possible).

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)

Name: _____

STUDENT QUESTIONS:

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

2. Why do you think you will have success at Live Oak Academy?

3. What are your goals?

4. Identify any extenuating circumstances that you are currently experiencing?

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TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/ GUARDIAN/SPOUSE:

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

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

I have carefully reviewed the Live Oak Academy application form and understand the selection process of Live Oak Academy. I may be attending the interview with my child/spouse when it is scheduled. At the time of the interview I will be prepared to ask any further questions regarding the school or curriculum.

(Parent's Signature)

(Date Signed)

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Live Oak Academy

Student Attendance and Progress Contract

I, _____, acknowledge that regular attendance is necessary for academic success. Live Oak Academy is not a virtual campus so being on time, consistently present, and productive will increase my chances to graduate. **The requirements below must be met to continue enrollment at Live Oak Academy.**

- Be on time and attend your scheduled classes (full day or half day)
- Meet 80% attendance each week
- Complete a minimum of 50 assignments weekly in any combination of courses

Failure to meet the above requirements during any four weeks will result in a probationary period during which a plan will be put into place to help meet the enrollment requirements. This may include a schedule change, alternate schedule, or meeting with parents/guardians. Your attendance and progress will be reviewed during a meeting with administration to determine eligibility to continue enrollment at Live Oak Academy. **If you do not meet the terms of this contract, and the requirements of Live Oak Academy, we have the right to revoke your enrollment on our campus 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.

Signature of Student: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Parent: _____

Date: _____

LATE ARRIVAL / EARLY RELEASE FORM

This is a preference sheet only. It does not guarantee the student a half day time slot.

☐ EARLY RELEASE

*Student must have own
transportation

☐ LATE ARRIVAL

*Student must have own
transportation

FULL DAY

*Transportation Available

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

(First & Last)

ID#: _____

Students must follow these regulations:

- *Provide their own transportation to participate in the Early Release Program and Late Arrival Program*
- Maintain satisfactory progress in all classes or attend for additional period(s)
- Vacate the school building immediately upon release
- Have this form signed by the student *and* the parent/guardian.
(No exceptions will be made for 18-year-olds.)

*** Final Determination of Schedule Remains with Live Oak Academy Counselor*

CONSENT FORM

We have read the criteria for late arrival / early release and understand the expectations. I am requesting that my student have his/her schedule amended to facilitate either late arrival/early release. We understand that we assume sole responsibility for the health and safety of the student during released times.

Student's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Once the application is completed please email or drop it off
in drop box outside of front doors.

Live Oak Academy

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