

SPRING BREAK ACADEMIES

PARENTS & FAMILIES FAQ

WHAT ARE THE TRANSFORMATION WACO SPRING BREAK ACADEMIES?

Spring Break Academies are an initiative of the Waco Transformation Zone In-District Charter School Partnership to provide targeted, small-group academic support for students during the March break. Students will attend a Transformation Zone campus and receive instruction in math or reading. Grades served will include 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th. Each of the five designated campuses will serve an estimated ninety students during the break. Dynamic master teachers will use a variety of learning techniques to accelerate literacy and math levels during the academy.









WHAT SHOULD A SPRING BREAK ACADEMY STUDENT EXPECT?

- Attend daily from 8 a.m.- 3 p.m. (breakfast and lunch provided)
- Work on increasing math or literacy skills
- Students are assigned to one or more math or reading teachers during the academy.
- Participate in one hour of enrichment activities per day
- Work to build positive relationships with others
- Participate in rigorous classroom work that challenges each learner to grow and succeed
- Attend one Friday evening class field trip to Austin or Dallas on March 13
- Learn and have FUN with other students



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WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF BEING A SPRING BREAK ACADEMY STUDENT?

Selection as a Spring Break Academy student recognizes an individual for his/her outstanding effort at school. The Spring Break Academy experience will also give students the opportunity to share and learn from some of the best math and reading teachers in the area. Additional benefits:

- \$50 H-E-B gift card to parent(s) after student successfully completes all five days of school with perfect attendance
- The opportunity to work with teachers honored with the Transformational Teaching in Urban Education Award
- Daily prizes will be given away to participants at each academy campus each of the five days.
- Recognition for student excellence with the faculty and administration
- The opportunity to attend a field trip to Austin or Dallas
- Academic acceleration for those who seek improvement in math or reading skills
- The opportunity to have fun with others while learning during the week long break

WHO DO I CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SPRING BREAK ACADEMIES?

Elementary School Campuses:

Alta Vista - Spring Break Academy Leader: Amber Orchard amber.orchard@wacoisd.org; 254.662.3050

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KEY SPRING BREAK ACADEMY DATES



Jan. 7	Academy leaders start meeting with students
Feb. 3	Formal student notifications and permission slips sent
Feb. 10	Final deadline for parent notifications to school
Feb. 13	Wait-listed students may turn in permission slips for
	potential available openings
Feb. 21	Home school ceremony and announcement of the Spring
	Break Academies (students only)
Feb. 3-7	Small group parent meetings at each Spring Break
	Academy campus site - general information and final
	logistics (by invitation only)
March 2 & 3	Final parent meeting to discuss Spring Break Academies
	logistics including transportation, meals and field trip
March 9-13	Spring Break Academies in session
March 13 - 8 p.m.	Final dismissal following field trip to Austin or Dallas