



EAST AUSTIN COLLEGE PREP ACADEMY

Education is not the filling of a bucket, but the lighting of a fire.

—W.B. Yeats

What Sets Us Apart

- ◆ Extended School Day
7:30 am to 4:30 pm
- ◆ Staff on-call until 9:00 pm
- ◆ 3 week summer session
- ◆ Highly qualify instructors
- ◆ College prep curriculum based on award-winning model
- ◆ Small classes with individualized instruction
- ◆ Brand new school with state-of-the-art classrooms
- ◆ On-site AMD Technology Center
- ◆ Free afterschool programs on campus daily
- ◆ Service learning component
- ◆ Model health program for families
- ◆ Parental and community involvement
- ◆ Innovative bilingual program
- ◆ College-bound graduates!

Southwest Key Programs is proud to present the East Austin College Prep Academy, an innovative tuition-free charter middle school open to all students living in East Austin. The Academy accepted its first class of 90 sixth graders in 2009, and will open its 7th-8th grade campuses in 2010 and 2011. This Academy is the realization of a long standing dream to have a community middle school right in the heart of the Johnston Terrace neighborhood. It is located at Southwest Key's East Austin Community Development Center, a 30,000 square foot state-of-the-art facility constructed in 2008.

At East Austin College Prep Academy failure is not an option and students are given the knowledge and tools to achieve their dreams.



At the East Austin College Prep Academy, students are empowered to set high expectations and leave prepared to succeed in high school and go on to college. Students receive a strong foundation in math and science while enjoying a balanced program that also nurtures the arts and community service. The curriculum is based on the highly successful YES College Prep model in Houston, ranked No. 52 among the top 100 schools in America.

In Texas where Latinos make up 40 percent of all students, addressing the needs of a diverse student population is a top priority for the East Austin College Prep Academy. By using Southwest Key as a culturally relevant resource, the Academy is in a position to help area high school students raise their test scores, receive valuable assistance in preparing students and their families for higher education, and improve employment opportunities.

Southwest Key Programs is the 4th largest Hispanic nonprofit in the country, is nationally accredited, and recognized for its culturally-competent educational programming. Founded in 1987 with a workforce of over 1,000 employees, Southwest Key operates 55 programs in 7 states, including four highly successful alternative schools in Texas.



Curriculum and Programs

Reading/English Language Arts ♦ Math
Science ♦ Social Studies ♦ Visual and
Performing Arts ♦ Experiential Student
Field Lessons ♦ Extracurricular Clubs
and Athletics ♦ Service Learning

Even though charter schools make up only 2% of Texas Public Schools, they make up 20% of the best high schools in Texas. We applaud the East Austin College Prep Academy for creating a partnership with residents of East Austin and providing quality choice in education.

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