Important Dates & Deadlines

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<td>Feb. 6 / Feb. 18, 2020</td>
<td>Information Evening for Students &amp; Families (6pm at Fort Worth Country Day)</td>
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<td>Mar. 4, 2020</td>
<td>Applications due!!! Final Deadline</td>
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<td>March 21, 2018</td>
<td>Interview Day (9am-4pm, at Fort Worth Country Day – Upper School)</td>
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<td>March 26, 2018</td>
<td>Make-up Interview Day (if unable to attend March 25th)</td>
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<td>Third week of April</td>
<td>Breakthrough will mail decision letters to your family</td>
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<td>June 15-July 25</td>
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What is Breakthrough?

Breakthrough is... Academics.

- Literature
- Writing
- Science
- Mathematics
- Test preparation

All Breakthrough students love learning. The goal of the summer program at Breakthrough is to prepare you to excel in honors and pre-AP courses in middle and high school. The goal of the school year program is to get ready for top college-preparatory programs in high school.
Breakthrough is... **Excellence.**

- 100% attendance
- 100% homework completion
- 100% participation in all classes and activities
- 100% will go to a top college-preparatory high school program
- 100% will graduate from high school
- 100% will go to a four-year college/university

Breakthrough holds very high expectations for all students. Our goals are high because our students are capable and talented, and to expect anything less but the best would be letting you down. **You will graduate from high school and go to college**—and Breakthrough will be there every step along the way.

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**Breakthrough is... Hard Work.**

- Daily summer program:
  - 8 hours a day
  - 5 days a week
  - Six weeks
  - Four summers (until 10th grade)
  - Homework every night
- School year program:
  - One Saturday a month
  - Individual mentoring and support

"*Some people dream of success... while others get out of bed and work hard for it.*" Students at Breakthrough work hard because it’s the only way to grow and learn. You’ll have homework, take classes every day in the summer, and even go to class on Saturdays during the school year! Why? Because you want to get ahead for college, and because you love the feeling of a job well done.
Breakthrough is... **Teamwork.**

- Small class sizes
- Individual attention
- “Study Buddy” time every day
- Team competitions like Spirit Day
- High-school and college students as teachers
- Supportive, positive learning environment

What do students love most about Breakthrough? “I love how Breakthrough is a family of people who support you,” says one 9th-grader. You’ll get to make friends with highly motivated students all across Fort Worth. And all of your teachers are young, fun high-schoolers and college students who devote their time to be with you to support your academic and personal growth.

Breakthrough is... **Family.**

- Annual family-teacher conferences for all students
- One-on-one support for high school options
- All events bilingual (English and Spanish)
- Frequent contact with program directors

Once you become a part of Breakthrough, you stay with the program for at least six years! Breakthrough works with students and families throughout middle and high school. Every student is a valuable member of our community. Many of our students return as volunteers and even teachers! Like a family, at Breakthrough we love and support one another, no matter what.
Breakthrough Course Planner

Courses in the summer program are designed to prepare students for advanced, honors-level and pre-AP courses in middle school and ultimately high school. Here is the typical coursework for Breakthrough students in the summer portion of the program:

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<td>Writing 7</td>
<td>Physics 7</td>
<td>Algebra 1 or Adv. Algebra 1</td>
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<td>Literature 9</td>
<td>Writing 9</td>
<td>Biology 9</td>
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A Breakthrough Day

Anthony’s Summer Schedule*

7:45  Breakfast
8:00  Period 1: Algebra 2
9:00  Period 2: Chemistry
10:00 Period 3: Literature
11:00 Period 4: Writing
12:00 Lunch
12:35 All School Meeting
1:10  Study Buddies
1:50  Improv
2:50  Flex Time
3:45  Dismissal

Julia’s Summer Schedule*

7:45  Breakfast
8:00  Period 1: Literature
9:00  Period 2: Biology
10:00 Period 3: Writing
11:00 Period 4: Geometry
12:00 Lunch
12:35 All School Meeting
1:10  Study Buddies
1:50  Soccer
2:50  Flex Time
3:45  Dismissal