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**iCOMPREHEND
ACADEMY**

INNOVATIVE EDUCATION SOLUTIONS

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Education for Global Citizenship



It is arguable that mankind has never faced such a rapidly changing and dynamic environment than the one we live in today!

Technology is driving development and achieving innovation is becoming the benchmark of success. All sectors, both economic and social are impacted daily by advancements. Education has typically lagged, but that too is changing and at a global level we are accelerating and advancing education in a way that is truly relevant and prepares students for the future where they will live and work.

Online education is not a new concept and is underpinned by substantial academic research and accompanying rigorous development that ensures students are engaging with content and participating in the learning process in a way that ensures more than a mere accumulation of knowledge. Critical thought, problem solving and even knowledge creation is developed through the multimedia and global collaboration that is achieved in the innovative digital environment.

iComprehend Academy (iCA) harnesses the benefits of technology, discovery learning and mastery. We believe that all students have the potential to achieve academic success and given the correct tools, instruction and time, they can do just that! Students can work at a pace that suits them and enables them to dedicate enough time on task to achieve mastery. Many parents may have

concerns about the shift of education to the online domain. I want to assure you that at iCA each child is supported by a team of dedicated teachers who provide tutoring sessions, task feedback and project guidance as well as optional synchronous live sessions. We do not lose the human element but rather gain a personalized approach that is convenient and accessible.

The power of the digital Learner Management System facilitates a real time record of each individual's progress and needs. Students are no longer required to fit in groups based on chronological age and work at a standardized pace that may see them being left behind or possibly bored. We keep each student engaged, challenged, and create an environment where learning becomes fun, and success easily follows.

The iCA team welcomes all students who would like to embark on an exciting and productive journey that caters for academic learning as well as positive character development. We place emphasis on developing well educated young people who care about their community, the world, and the environment.

We prepare students to become global citizens with a clear purpose and ability to positively contribute to the future development of society at large.

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Mission and Philosophy



Mission

We are committed to providing a world class online learning environment engineered to ensure that students can achieve academic success and nurture their personal potential.

Philosophy

We believe that the future requires global citizens with a clear purpose and ability to positively contribute to the on-going development of society at large. This requires education today that is globally relevant and facilitates both academic success as well as character and emotional development.

Get to know the team



COLLEEN ARONOWITZ

I have been privileged to have been directly involved in teaching and shaping young lives, from grade 1 to 12. I was a principal of a school for 11 years and more recently an Operations Manager for the last 4 years. Now, as Principal of iComprehend Academy, I am excited to take on the challenge of leading this online school. I have my Bachelor of Education with a major in English, as well as a certificate in School Management. I am passionate about identifying the individual's learning gaps and assisting them in the journey of discovering their learning styles. I am serious about adding value and guiding each student to their full potential.

JESHURUN SUBRAMANI

I am qualified in Electrical Engineering and have taught in a school for 6½ years. My specialist subjects are Mathematics and Science and I have taught this in various grades from grade 4 to 12. We all desire to impact the world and make it a better place. We need to educate young people to achieve this. I am passionate about equipping young people with knowledge and tools to become good global citizens who become effective in their communities, social environments, and in their family units.



ANNETTE STEGEN

I have a Bachelor of Education specialising in Mathematics, Geography and Accounting for high school students. I have 18 years of teaching experience, during which time I worked with learners of all ages, but mainly with learners in grade 6 to 12. I have also been involved in curriculum development for more than 13 years. As a teacher and curriculum developer, I have seen the importance of presenting material in a way that helps students to not only master the content, but also use it to equip themselves for the future. I am passionate about finding and unlocking the potential that is hidden within each student.



VIRGINIA HAUPT

I am a qualified Science and Life Science educator with 29 years of experience in the public school sector and as the principal of a private school. Over the past 10 years as the Curriculum Development Manager, it has been my privilege to work with a team of other Educators and design specialists in curriculum development. My passion is to be instrumental in bringing quality education which is also character based to students of all ages.



Get to know the team



ROB WARD

I have followed a diverse commercial career over a period of more than twenty years. For the last five years I have been working exclusively in the education field. I am passionate about unlocking potential by ensuring that quality education is accessible to all. Modern technologies enable efficient and affordable content delivery mechanisms. This combined with research into online learning and the implementation of successful blended learning methodologies, is leading education, worldwide, into a new era. I have been involved with iCA since its inception and am determined to leverage modern technology whilst ensuring that traditional values and a focus on the holistic development of the individual is achieved.



BRIDGET WARD

I have been working within the education sector for the last eight years, seeking communication solutions that cater for the educator, parents, learners, and the education institution. No doubt, the appetite for online education solutions is growing exponentially. The worldwide pandemic helped the trend along, but it is certainly here to stay and will increasingly become a worldwide norm. I am delighted to be working with iCA as it offers reliable, accredited education within the framework of providing an individualised approach for each learner. Additionally, an emphasis on character development and equipping for global citizenry.



LAURA CREACH

I completed my studies at the University of Louisiana at Monroe and earned a M.Ed Secondary Education/Psychology and a B.A. Social Studies/Math. I am National Board certified in Early Adolescent Mathematics and hold 11 state certifications in Mathematics, Social Studies, History, Government and Administration in grade PreK-12. I have a passion for transforming education through blended learning and working with organizations to achieve this goal. I love seeing students developing into the best possible version of themselves and impacting society for a brighter future. I am so grateful to be a part of this process.

Qualification

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iCA is an international school that caters for the requirements of students from many different countries, cultures, and backgrounds. Our objective is to ensure that graduates are equipped with a qualification that facilitates application to universities and other tertiary education options.

The College Preparatory Diploma

The College Preparatory Diploma program prepares students for their future college coursework. The mix of traditional high school courses, combined with higher academic standards, is designed to establish a solid foundation for young adults as they get ready for their future college careers. To achieve this diploma, students must achieve a minimum of 24 credits, with a grade point average (GPA) of no less than 2.0. Students are able to achieve the diploma early if they achieve the credits early.

The curriculum ensures a rigorous academic standard and keeps students challenged and motivated.

Recognized Curriculum

In order to achieve progression to the College Preparatory Diploma, students are guided through a recognized program.

The curriculum was originally developed in 2015. Updates and innovations are continuous with digital application ensuring all students are working with the cutting-edge content.

The curriculum is flexible allowing for a wide spectrum of subject choices and combinations, all whilst students work at their own pace to achieve mastery. Content is presented in varied and media-rich formats catering for different learning styles.

The curriculum ensures a rigorous academic standard and keeps students challenged and motivated. Tasks are varied and engineered to ensure discovery learning, critical thinking, problem solving and ultimately mastery of key content and learning objectives.

In addition, all units of study place emphasis on positive character traits and the development of emotional quotient. Students are challenged to take agency over their own work and progress all whilst being mentored, taught and guided by the excellent staff.

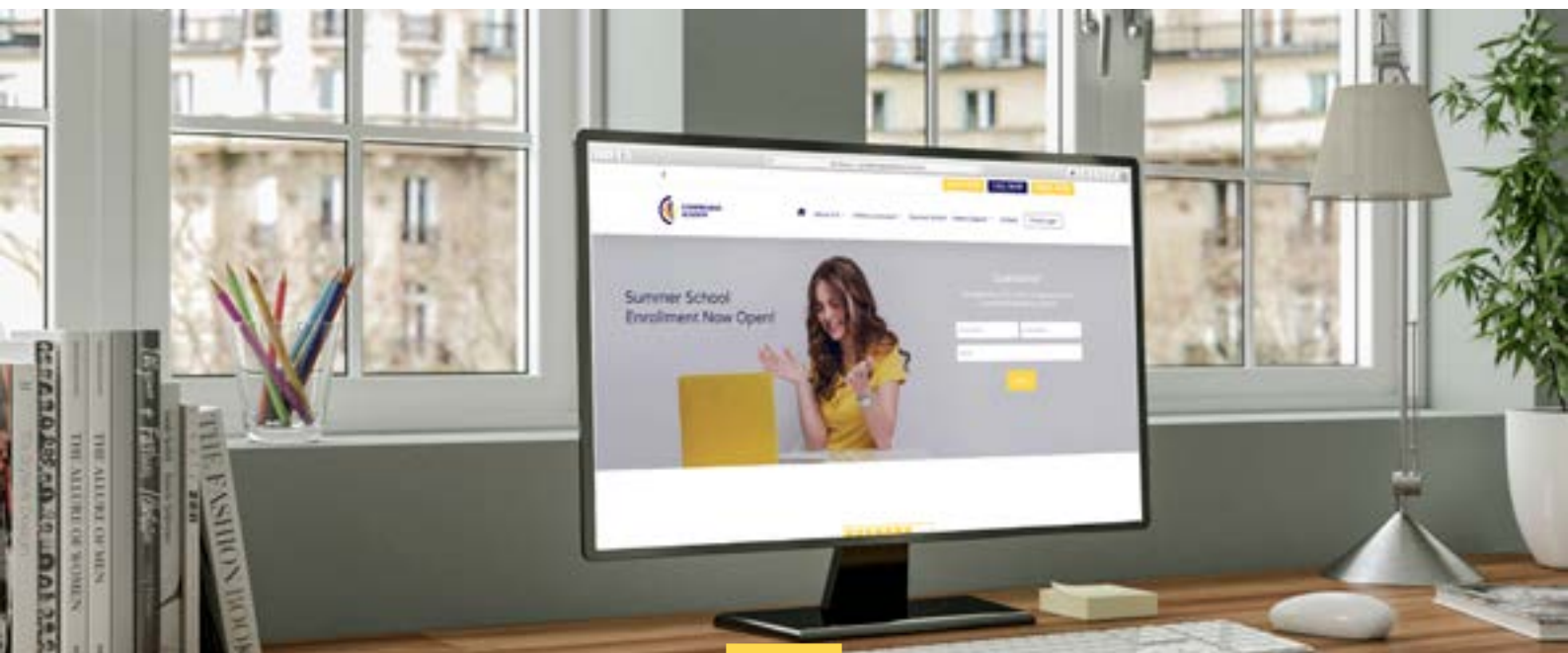
How does iComprehend Academy work?

iCOMPREHEND ACADEMY IS MADE UP OF FIVE CRITICAL PILLARS:

1. The management and academic teams
2. The knowledge management system
3. The Learner Management System
4. The students
5. Students' parents and guardians

Instead of students congregating daily at a series of brick-and-mortar facilities to meet in large groups with teachers and work through paper-based curriculum at a standardized pace, they engage with content, lessons and teachers in an online environment that

is flexible and facilitates an individualized approach. The management and academic teams ensure the efficient running and implementation of all courses. Teachers are a human connection to each student and they take a committed interest in the progress of each individual. The Knowledge Management System is the digital space where all course materials, multimedia lessons, tasks, content and assessment material is housed. The Learner Management system is accessible via personalized login details and tracks individual progress, providing detailed feedback and lesson management for each student.



The Benefits of Online Education

through iComprehend Academy in the Modern World



✓ Flexibility

Through iCA, students are guided through a flexible program to achieve success at a pace that meets the needs of individuals in different countries with different needs and circumstances.

✓ Accessible and Affordable

School is now easily accessible, and costs are reduced as there is no need for travel, school uniforms and the secondary costs associated with the maintenance of a brick-and-mortar school.

✓ Certified Teacher Support

iCA employs a team of qualified teachers who implement individual tutoring, task feedback, guidance and advice and optional synchronous live sessions.

✓ Qualification

iCA students work to achieve the Texas High School Diploma qualification.

✓ Personal Attention

Real-time reporting on the progress and achievements of each student allows teachers to assist when challenges are encountered by their students and are able to quickly provide assistance. Students have full-time access to the program and can access teachers to set up private tuition sessions.

Course Structure and Subject Choices



- Students work on five courses at all times throughout the year.
- Students may take high school courses in Grade 8 and achieve credits, potentially leading to finishing school early.
- It is not recommended that a Grade 8 student takes any more than two high school courses.

SUBJECTS GRADE 8

English Language Arts	Grade 8 English
Mathematics	Grade 8 Math
Science	Grade 8 Science
Social Studies / History	Grade 8 History
Electives	Grade 8 Health Middle School Art Middle School Music Middle School Theatre

SUBJECTS CREDIT GRADE 9 GRADE 10 GRADE 11 GRADE 12

English Language Arts	4	English I	English II	English III	English IV
Mathematics	3	Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II	Optional PreCalculus
Science	3	Biology	Physics	Chemistry	Optional Environmental Systems
Social Studies/History	3	World Geo or World History	Government/Economics	US History	Optional Psychology
Physical Education	1		Health I		
World Language	2	Spanish I	Spanish II		
Fine Arts	1	Music Appreciation or Art History			
Electives	7		Speech/Other Elective	Choice of Electives	Choice of Electives

ELECTIVE COURSES

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Who should enroll?

At iCA, we believe that the future of education is here today and that iCA is suitable to all students.



iCA is Suited to All

There are considerations that families must work through as they make the exciting transition. It must be remembered that students will be working in a blended environment. This means that there will be times that they will be engaged in optional synchronous live sessions, group discussions or individual tutoring sessions and other times they will be working independently on the Learner Management System. Teachers take full responsibility for the administration associated with tracking the progress of each student. However, students, particularly younger students, will need supervision daily.

In addition, the iCA program suits students who are engaged in time-consuming activities such as high-performance sport, music, dance or cultural activities and travel, as the flexible system enables them to plan their studies around a demanding schedule and they can work at a pace that suits them.



Is iCA a Homeschool System?

Traditionally, a homeschool program is reliant on the parent / guardian to be immersed in the learning process with the student. This is referred to as parent-led homeschooling and the parent / guardian is responsible for all daily administration, marking and monitoring of the student's progress.

The iCA program is not reliant on the parent / guardian as teachers take on the responsibility of all teaching, administration, marking, assessments, and the monitoring of on-going progress. Teachers are supported by a powerful Knowledge Management System which provides automated analyses and reports which enables the teacher to provide personalized attention to each student. Therefore, iCA follows a school-led program that students work on at home. The academic research in rigour in development of the program ensures a pedagogy that works for the online environment.

The program is suited for families seeking flexibility and a modern and relevant approach to education with a focus on equipping students for an exciting future as active and responsible global citizens.



Let's get started.

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