

The Houston Academy for International Studies



What's Happening in H AIS the week of January 21st.



In Science, Technology, and Math this week:

In **Algebra I**, students will solve polynomials in factored form and factor trinomials of the form $ax^2 + bx + c$.

In **Global Business**, students will create a product/service; create an original logo and catch phrase; create a commercial (radio or TV) in digital form or skit; and present their company via PowerPoint or Prezi. Students are learning about the importance of entrepreneurship in the development of an economy and the different types of entrepreneurial businesses.

In **Business Information Systems I for Dual Credit**, the students are learning how to apply spreadsheet technology.

Here's What's Happening in the Humanities this week:

In **AP World History**, students will practice writing for the Change-and-Continuity-Over-Time essay.

In **US History**, students will be analyzing the causes and consequences of the Cold War in Southeast Asia.

In **MUN**, students will be introduced to the Worlds Debate Round.

In **World Geography**, students will be exploring how humans adapt and modify their natural environment and technology related to energy, transportation, and agriculture.

In **Debate**, students will be practicing rebuttal strategies.

In **Economics**, students will be studying aggregate supply and demand.

In **Pre-AP English I**, students are working on persuasive essays. Students should write the rough drafts for their essays over the weekend.

In **Pre-AP English II**, students are analyzing chapters 5-6 from *Of Mice and Men* for symbolism and completing the corresponding discussion questions.

In **AP Language**, students are writing argument essays over past AP prompts and comparing them to AP anchor papers.

In **Business English**, students are completing SAT timed writings and focusing on sentence structure and vocabulary.

In **AP Literature**, students are writing a creative letter to Victor from *Frankenstein* in order to analyze the creature's argument. Students should complete the discussion questions for chapters 19-21.

In **Spanish 1**, students will maintain a conversation about likes and dislikes on food preferences for breakfast and lunch using vocabulary words.

In **Spanish 2**, students will write an e-mail to a friend about purchases during a shopping trip.

In **Spanish 3**, students will prepare and deliver an oral presentation about their favorite artist.

In **Spanish 4**, students will learn about Reflexive constructions.

In **AP Spanish Language**, students will practice AP essay writing based on 3 sources.

Other Important Information:

- H AIS will be hosting visitors from our sister school in Los Angeles this week.
- Students will be registering for Advanced Placement Exams in their classes.
- PTO Meeting on Tuesday, January 22nd at 6 PM!
- Senior Parent Meeting/ College Success Night on Thursday, January 24th at 5:30 PM
- Senior Dues 4th Payment of \$65 is due January 18
- H AIS will be hosting a delegation of teachers from China on January 30
- The Junior Class is selling popcorn

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
		1	2	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9 MUNSA	10 MUNSA	11 HAIS Applications Due MUNSA Report Cards	12 HAIS Information Session @ 10 AM for potential students	
13	14	15	16	17	18 HAIS Awards for Semester 1 HUDL Debate Tournament @ Yates HS Go Team HAIS!!!!	19 HUDL Debate Tournament @ Yates HS Go Team HAIS!!!!	
20	21 MLK Jr Holiday: No School	22 PTO Meeting at 6 PM Students arrive from Los Angeles, California	23 Visitors from LA at HAIS	24 Mandatory Senior Parent Meeting/ College Success Night @ 5:30 PM Visitors from LA at HAIS	25 Early Dismissal at 1:20 PM Visitors from LA depart	26	
27	28	29	30 HAIS greets visitor from China	31 Huffington Award Luncheon with former US Ambassador to China	Notes:		