



**GLOBAL IMPACT**  
STEM ACADEMY

## Global Impact STEM Academy

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Dear Global Impact Student and Guardian:

Hello all! I hope everyone is having an incredible and amazing summer spending time with family and friends. I know I have! I know you're eager for the school year to start. I know I am! Please read the following letter(s) with plenty of information regarding the next engaging and exciting 2018/19 school year. I know I will! Enjoy the last few days of summer! I know I might!

### **Orientation and Open House:**

Our open house will be held Monday, August 13, 2018 from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. This is a time where students and parents will be able to meet their individual instructors and check out their classrooms. Middle School orientation will be held in the John Legend Theater from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Student information will be available for pickup beginning at 5:00 p.m. with “first day forms” available online (see **green** page for more info). Global Impact student ambassadors will be on hand to help you find your way.

### **Transportation:**

Student pickup and drop-off procedures will be discussed at orientation; however, questions regarding school transportation should be directed to the transportation department with your district of residence.

### **School Fees:**

The board has adopted school fees of \$250.00 for all students. Students who qualify for free lunch will have these fees waived and those who qualify for reduced lunch will have fees adjusted. Free or reduced applications will be accessible online on our website under “parent information” and must be filled out **annually**. Global Impact staff will be available to accept fees starting August 1<sup>st</sup> and will also be available the night of orientation. For added convenience, we are encouraging parents to pay all fees online through a link that is available on our webpage (EZPay: Global Impact School Fees). Access codes and directions will be made available on the **green** page.

The school fee structure includes a mandatory \$50.00 technology-leasing fee for school-issued MacBook Air's. Prior to students being permitted to take school-issued devices home, this \$50.00 fee must be paid in full. To avoid congestion in the front office, no fees will be accepted at the GISA main office Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup>.

### **School Supplies:**

You will find that being a student at Global Impact is very different than what you could expect from your past experiences. This includes school supply lists. Most of what you need is provided by the school and is covered in your general school fees. Instructors will have course syllabi available during open house with any specific items related to their course. Outside of our business casual dress code, we do encourage that students purchase a backpack with a protective laptop sleeve. Students who do not have one of these backpacks will be provided with a laptop carrying case.

### **Parent Workshops and Seminars:**

There are parent workshops and seminars on a variety of important topics related to student success and parent engagement at GISA (see **blue** page for more info). These include topics like **mastery learning**, **Schoology** (learning management system), **project-based learning**, and **course requirements**. Stay tuned for more information about what topics will be covered on the corresponding dates below.

- August 28<sup>th</sup>
- September 26<sup>th</sup>
- October 2<sup>nd</sup>
- November 6<sup>th</sup>
- January 15<sup>th</sup>
- February 12<sup>th</sup>
- April 16<sup>th</sup>

Once again, school starts on August 15<sup>th</sup> for all incoming 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Dress code for the first two days is dress down (so plan to get wild); jeans, tennis shoes, and t-shirts are acceptable (**shorts are not permitted**). Business casual dress code expectations will begin on Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via email at [akilburn@gisaoh.org](mailto:akilburn@gisaoh.org) or call the school at 937-328-6600.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anton Kilburn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Anton Kilburn  
Middle School Director