What our students are saying about AICE at BHS

"I love taking classes that are specialized and are very logical. It has taught me an entirely new way of thinking."

-Natalie (AICE Diploma c/o 2026)

"AICE is like a family...except filled with hundreds of students and supportive teachers that lead you to become the best version of yourself."

-Hannah (AICE Diploma c/o 2026)

"I love the community of students who also want to do well in school. Being around others who are equally driven helps me to succeed."

-Norah (AICE Diploma c/o 2026)

"The Cambridge AICE Program at BHS has given me the opportunity to achieve valuable credits and education to help me in university."

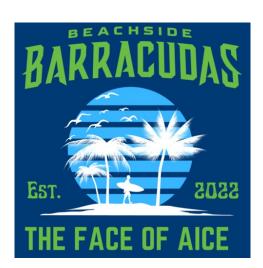
-Michael (AICE Diploma c/o 2026)

"AICE has given me many strategies to be successful in school and beyond."

-Charlotte (AICE Diploma c/o 2026)

"I feel incredibly lucky to be a part of such an amazing academic program. AICE has opened up so many new opportunities and learning experiences. It is an amazing community and is helping me to succeed everyday."

-Maria (AICE Diploma c/o 2026)





Who are we?

We are Beachside! We are Barracudas!

Beachside High School opened its doors to students and faculty in August of 2022 and is the newest high school in St. Johns County.

As the newest high school in SJCSD, Beachside has developed a unique and purposeful set of academy and advanced academic offerings providing our students with the knowledge and skills essential for post-secondary success and career readiness.

The AICE Program at Beachside is the newest Program of Interest and provides students access to advanced, college-level curriculum accompanying their general or academy course of study. We opened our doors with a cohort of 51 AICE freshmen. excited to begin their three year process of obtaining the AICE Diploma. Now in our second year, we have grown to welcome more than 100 sophomores along with the addition of 120 freshmen. AICE has been selected at BHS as a way to provide our students flexibility in their academic course offerings while challenging students through a rigorous, in-depth curriculum designed to engage students in real-world problem solving and critical thinking through an international perspective.

Contact us!

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BARRACUDAS



AICE

Advanced International Certificate of Education



Cambridge International School

Cambridge International
Preparing students for life, helping them
to develop an informed curiosity and a
lasting passion for learning.



How can AICE help me grow?

- AICE offers students a wide range of subjects from which students can choose
- AICE students develop abilities in learning independently and in collaborative learning environments
- AICE students develop critical thinking and problem solving skills
- AICE students develop research skills
- AICE assessments allow students to demonstrate their knowledge and skills in a variety of unique ways

How can AICE benefit me in college/university?

- AICE Diploma recipients qualify for the Florida Academic Scholars Bright Futures Scholarship (100% In-state scholarship)
- AICE students earn college credit for AICE coursework/exams and can earn up to 45 college credit hours
- AICE students receive an extra 1.0 GPA quality point for each passing grade
- AICE coursework is not only seen as rigorous to colleges and universities in the U.S. but is recognized internationally in over 160 countries

What does AICE look like at BHS?

9th Grade

AICE General Paper (English)
AICE Thinking Skills
Pre-AICE Biology/Chemistry
Pre-AICE Spanish
Geometry Honors/Algebra 2 Honors
AP Human Geography
Elective or Career Academy Class

The Cambridge Advanced International Certificate of Education (Cambridge AICE) is a group certificate which requires learners to study subjects drawn from three curriculum areas within the Cambridge International AS & A Levels. Students who complete the AICE Diploma must pass a minimum of 7 AICE exams as identified by the Cambridge Assessment International Education in the **Diploma Core** and **three (3)academic areas/groups**

over three (3) years:

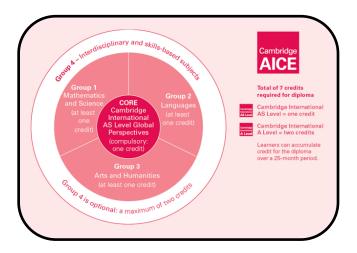
AICE Diploma Core—AICE Global Perspectives

Group 1—Mathematics and Sciences (Environmental Management, Computer Science, Physics, Mathematics, Psychology)

Group 2—Languages (English Language, Spanish Language)

Group 3—Arts & Humanities (Travel & Tourism, Digital Media & Design, Drama, Music, History, Literature in English, Economics)

Group 4—Interdisciplinary (General Paper, Thinking Skills)



What colleges say about AICE

- All 12 public colleges/universities in the state of Florida accept AICE credits
- 100% of Ivy League universities accept AICE as an advanced program of study
- Over 640 colleges/universities across the U.S. accept AICE credits-by-exam with varying policies
- Questions about AICE Credits and college? See the FLDOE Articulation guide here:



What AICE graduates say

"I loved thinking logically and feeling as though I was discovering the fine details of how the world worked."

-Maggie, University of Washington

"I chose the subjects I was interested in and which I also hoped to study in college. They were also subjects I knew would challenge me and develop specific academic skills such as writing – essential for any course of study."

-Jenna, Columbia University

"[Credit earned for Cambridge International A Levels] reduced the number of hours I needed to take at school, allowing more flexibility for scheduling and class choices, and also gave me the opportunity to take additional study programmes."

-Erika, Vanderbilt University