

University of Houston's Accelerated Certification Program (ACP) STELLAR Info Session

Thursday, May 1, 2025



Why teach?



TEACHERS MATTER



QUALITY OF LIFE

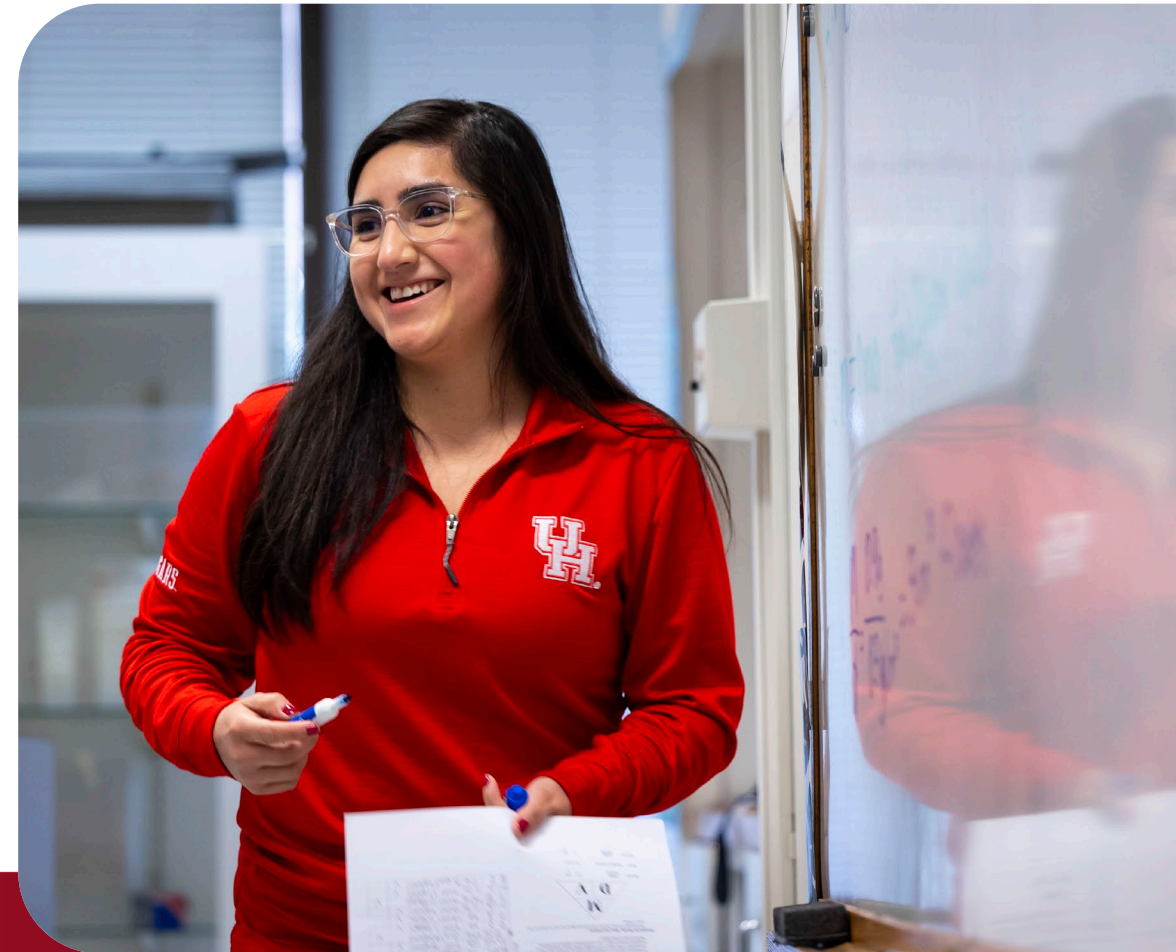


FINANCIAL BENEFITS



What is needed to teach in Texas?

1. A bachelor's degree
2. **Educator prep program**
3. **Complete certification**
4. **Apply to teach**
5. Background check





What does ACP mean?

- **A**ccelerated **C**ertification **P**rogram
- Teach while you work on completing certification
- Start teaching August 2025, complete certification by May 2026



What is STELLAR?

- Partnership with the ExxonMobil Foundation
- Support Teacher STEM Training (TST)
- Goals
 - Improve the STEM knowledge of math and science teachers
 - Enhance teachers' ability to teach STEM content
 - Provide teacher STEM training at no cost to teachers
- UH's ACP + science or math = funding

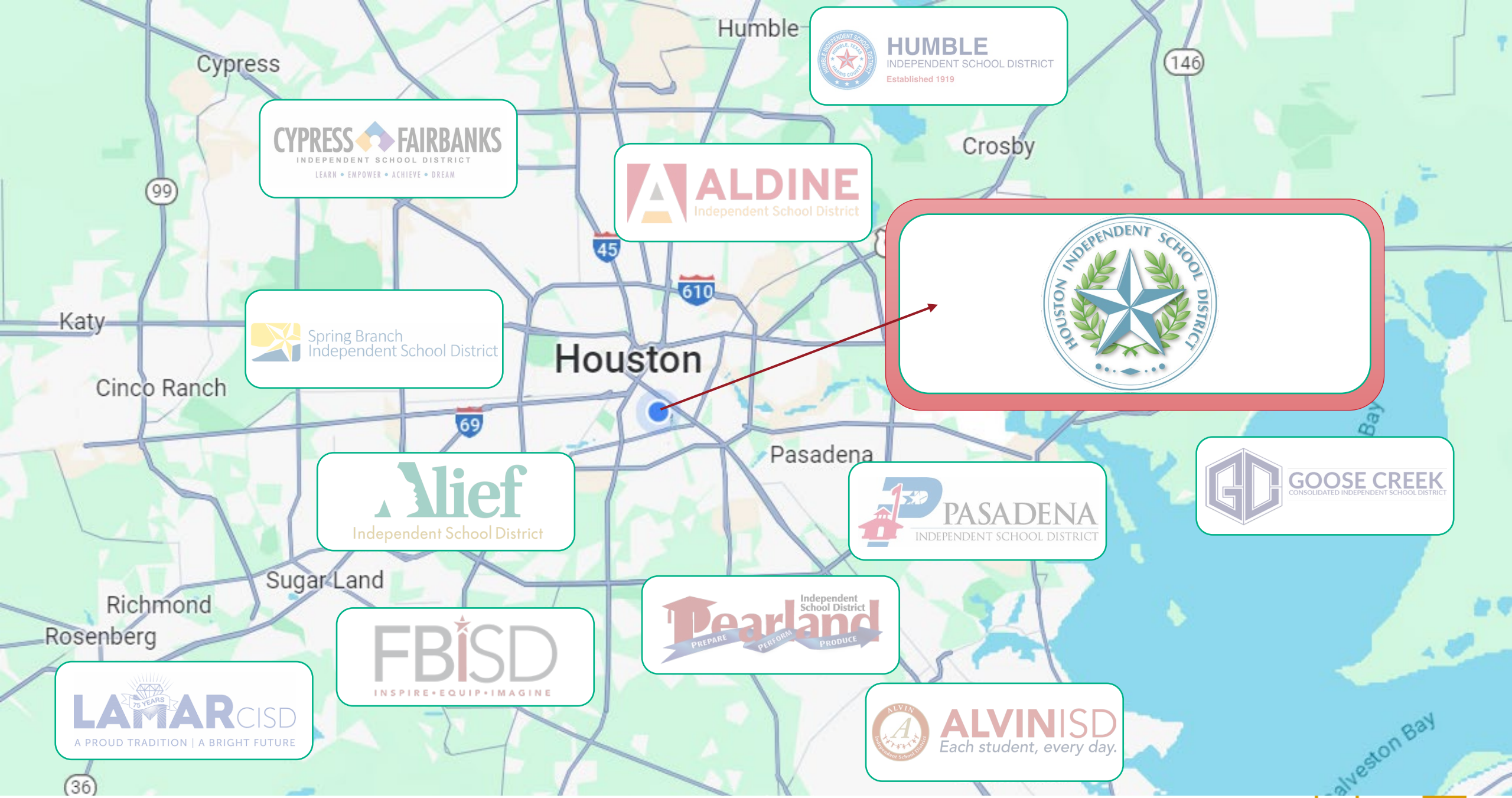
**STELLAR = STEM Teacher
Training: Enhancing Learning,
Leadership, and Academic Rigor**



Reminder: requirements

1. A bachelor's degree
2. 15 credit hours in science **or** math
3. Accepted into **ACP**
4. Obtain a job teaching:
 - Science **or** math
 - **Middle school** grade level
 - E.G.: 6th, 7th, or 8th grade math or science
 - Within the **Houston ISD**





 **HUMBLE**
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Established 1919

 **CYPRESS FAIRBANKS**
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
LEARN • EMPOWER • ACHIEVE • DREAM

 **ALDINE**
Independent School District

 **HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

 **Spring Branch**
Independent School District

 **Alief**
Independent School District

 **PASADENA**
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

 **GOOSE CREEK**
CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

 **Pearland** Independent School District
PREPARE • PERFORM • PRODUCE

 **ALVIN ISD**
Each student, every day.

 **FBI ISD**
INSPIRE • EQUIP • IMAGINE

 **LAMAR CISD**
A PROUD TRADITION | A BRIGHT FUTURE

Certification areas

- EC-6 Core Subjects
- EC-6 Core Subjects + Bilingual Supplemental
- EC-6 Core Subjects + Special Education
- EC-12 Art
- EC-12 Languages Other Than English (LOTE) – Spanish
- EC-12 Special education
- 4-8 English
- **4-8 Mathematics**
- **4-8 Science**
- 4-8 Social Studies
- 7-12 English
- 7-12 History
- **7-12 Mathematics**
- **7-12 Science**
- 7-12 Social Studies



Program cost

Application fee	\$0
UH ACP Program	\$6,250



Program cost covered by
ExxonMobil for those who qualify



Most additional costs will be covered

Item	Payment
2025 Intern Certificate	\$78
Fingerprinting and background check	\$50.25
TExES Exam(s) (including PPR exam)	\$116
2026 Standard Certificate	\$78



Next steps – APPLY!

- This is a **separate application** from ACP
- **Apply today** - space is limited!
- It **costs nothing** to apply



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THANK YOU!

