

## **Odyssey Academy**

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## Tell us a little about your background.

Odyssey Academy is a free public charter school educating students from pre-k 3 through 12th grade. We celebrated our 20 year anniversary last year. Odyssey Academy is a free, open-enrollment, public charter school committed to helping each student find their passion and path to success. It is our goal to grow students into well-rounded young adults, who are ready to be productive members of society.

We do this in three ways. First, by offering our students diverse academic and life experiences on our campuses, in our culturally rich Galveston/Bay Area communities, and beyond. Second, by offering an academic curriculum that is strong in math, science, and technology to develop essential critical thinking and problem-solving skills. And third, by giving our students opportunities for enrichment through music, sports, art, technology, leadership and character development, career and college campus tours, and trips to Washington, D.C. and abroad.

**How would you summarize what you do?** Odyssey Academy exists to inspire and develop the highest potential in every one of our students. Our teachers and staff work to build relationships with those in the Odyssey Academy Community by caring for and supporting the whole person. They set high expectations for themselves and those around them, and they show passion by being fanatical about their craft.

## How has your business evolved over time?

Since our founding in 1998 by Robert Mosbacher, Odyssey Academy has grown from a middle school campus on Galveston Island to a multi-campus district serving approximately 1,200 students in grades pre-kindergarten through high school! Our students come from over 15 school districts spread across Galveston and surrounding counties.

## What are you working on now?

We are excited to announce the opening of a third campus at the Mainland City Center (formerly Mall of the Mainland) in August 2020 where we will service pre K -3 through 6th grade next year and bubble up the following 2 years, ending up with 8th grade on that campus at the beginning of the 3rd year.