CAREER ACADEMY APPLICATION

All Applications must be submitted online at:

http://g.tinyurl.com/y8bnlvjg

Recommendations should be emailed to:

academycommittee@wtps.org

THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP ADVANTAGE

In size, stature and standard, the Washington Township
Public Schools, and all 11 of our New Jersey Future Readycertified schools, proudly continue to show the way in
educational excellence and achievement. In recent years, the
District has added community service to this list of
leadership. Washington Township has twice earned
recognition as the No. 1 service leadership school in
New Jersey (2013, 2014) and in the nation (2014), and
Washington Township High School was cited as the top
Ambassador school in the nation (2016, 2017) for its exemplary
community service. It's just another feather in the cap for our forward-reaching
school district.

Enlisting the talents of an exceptional teaching and support staff, our District annually re-dedicates its energies and resources to create safe, structured environments where every child can thrive, flourish and succeed. Some 7,300 students routinely are embraced, challenged and empowered through a broad, standards-based curriculum. We encourage hands-on, discovery-based, inquiry-oriented learning and extend multiple levels of intervention to students in need. Countless opportunities for self-discovery, growth, community service and expression are embedded in the educational experience and serve to reinforce our mission of developing engaged and accomplished life-long learners who will collect, along with cherished Washington Township diplomas, the skills and self-worth to share their talents with the world.

Our high-quality curriculum mirrors our diverse student population and has been expanded over the years to include 24 high school advanced placement courses, innovative and expansive programming, and integrated technology that permeates all of our teaching on all levels. Beginning in 2016-17, every Washington Township High School student was issued a laptop computer, and the District's kindergarten program was expanded to a robust, full-day platform. In 2017-18, the laptop initiative was expanded to include grades 4-8.

Washington Township is an educational frontrunner. In order to maintain our position of leadership, our District launched a comprehensive strategic plan in 2017-18 to plot our continued upward trajectory. Exciting initiatives have emerged from this planning, including the creation of these career academies. Other planned improvements include flipped classrooms, mindfulness training and an increased emphasis on digital citizenship and students' social and emotional health.

WTHS

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL

CAREER ACADEMY PROGRAM

Career-themed subject matter with project-based learning









APPLY ONLINE

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THE ADVANTAGE OF THE ACADEMIES four-year continuum of targeted study

Washington Township High School Career Academies are set up as a four-year continuum of targeted career and technical education courses which, when combined with traditional core academic courses, introduce students to the scope, rigor and discipline to better prepare for a program of study at college. The college- and career-targeted academies allow students to make informed choices about opportunities in high-demand and high-skilled career pathways, which offer an advantage over other students who would be entering a related program of study at the post-secondary level. Class rigor and expectations are increased, and course sequences are developed that are unique to each academy. The academy curriculum integrates career-themed subject matter with project-based learning.

Washington Township High School Career Academies are designed to prepare students for specialized college and career programs by providing high-quality Career and Technical Education (CTE) experiences in five specialized areas.

FIVE SPECIALIZED AREAS OF STUDY



- Business Administration & Finance
- Early Childhood Education
- Engineering (STEM)
- Marketing & Business Leadership
- TV Production and Broadcast Journalism

HOW TO APPLY

Applications must be completed by student and parent(s).

Once the application is submitted, the WTHS Career Academy Committee (CTE teacher, supervisor, counselor, administrator) will review, and decisions will be made on a first-come basis, provided admissions criteria are met.

To apply for one of our career academy programs, please complete an online application: http://g.tinyurl.com/y8bnlvjg

APPLICATION & ACCEPTANCE

Admissions application and acceptance criteria include:

- Student essay
- Counselor or teacher recommendation
- 90% attendance rate in current school year
- Satisfactory record of conduct in current year (no infractions of a serious nature reaching the level of suspension from school)

Expectations of career academy members to remain in good-standing:

- Follow policies in Student Handbook (including, but not limited to, 90% attendance rate and Code of Conduct)
- Demonstrate academic integrity in all assignments and activities
- Satisfy subsequent course of study requirements, including required projects
- Participation in academy activities and field trips
- Participation in designated career-technical student organization (CTSO)
- Maintain a yearly portfolio, including experiences, networking, certificates, awards
- Maintain 85% average in all academy courses

OPPORTUNITIES & INCENTIVES

Opportunities / Incentives of career academy students:

- Exposure to real-world experiences through authentic learning, conferences, competitions and community-service activities
- Involvement and social networking through nationally recognized career student organizations
- Participate in internships, externships, and work experience prospects
- Develop a high school transcript demonstrating academic preparedness for college-level program of study
- Earn college credits on an official college transcript while concurrently enrolled in high school courses of study
- Earn professionally recognized credentials
- Eligible for local, regional, and national scholarships
- Receive academy distinction on official high school transcript and recognition at graduation ceremony
- Graduate with career academy honors (with distinction)
- Satisfy academy expectations and high school graduation requirements- N.J.A.C.6A:8-5.1
- Complete 4-year career academy course progression prior to graduation
- Pass approved national exit exam designated for academy career pathway (NOCTI)
- Completion of Capstone project, internship, or externship during junior and senior year

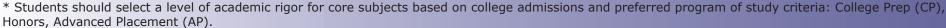
COURSE SEQUENCE: BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE ACADEMY

Career Academy Courses

- Introduction to Business and Careers Business Seminar (610) Grade 9
- College Level Accounting (629) Grade 10
- Business Law & Ethics (609) Grade 11
- Business Administration and Management (632) Grade 12

Program Requirements

- Satisfy academy expectations and high school graduation requirements- N.J.A.C.6A:8-5.1*
- Complete 4-year career academy course progression with 85% or better average
- Pass approved national exit exam designated for academy career pathway (NOCTI)
- Completion of Capstone project, internship, or externship during Junior/Senior year



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- Maintain a four-year portfolio including experiences, networking, certificates, awards

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Where have our students gone for Business Administration & Finance Studies

- Rutgers University
- Gloucester County College
- Temple University
- University of Delaware
- Manhattan College (NYC)
- College of William & Mary
- Thomas Jefferson University
- Ohio State University

- Rowan University
 - Stevens Institute of Technology
- University of Scranton
- Fashion Institute of Design, NY
- Stanford University
- University of Pennsylvania Wharton School
- Monmouth University
- Virginia Tech University

Drexel University





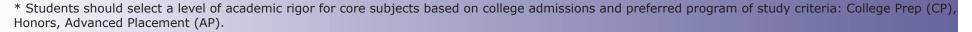
COURSE SEQUENCE: EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION ACADEMY

Career Academy Courses

- Prenatal Development (842) Grade 9
- Child Development (840) Grade 10
- Foundations of Education- Theories and Practices (851) Grade 11- Semester 1
- Teaching Strategies for Early Childhood Education (850) Grade 11- Semester 2
- Tomorrow's Teachers (848) Grade 12

Program Requirements

- Satisfy academy expectations and high school graduation requirements- N.J.A.C.6A:8-5.1*
- Complete 4-year career academy course progression with 85% or better average
- Pass approved national exit exam designated for academy career pathway (NOCTI)
- Completion of Capstone project, internship, or externship during junior/senior year



Expectations of career academy members to remain in good-standing

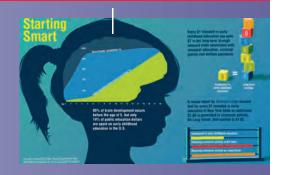
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Opportunities / Incentives of career academy students

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- Earn professionally recognized credentials
- Eligible for local, regional, and national scholarships
- Receive academy distinction on official high school transcript and during graduation ceremony

Where have our students gone for Childcare Studies

- Rowan University
- Stockton University
- Virginia Tech University
- Monmouth University
- Camden County College
 - Rowan College at Gloucester County
- University of Delaware





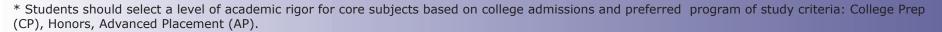
COURSE SEQUENCE: ENGINEERING (STEM) ACADEMY

Career Academy Courses

- Introduction to Engineering Technology (910) Grade 9
- Principles of Engineering and Technological Design (931) Grade 10
- Advanced Applications in Engineering (935) Grade 11
- Engineering & Technology Capstone (958) Grade 12

Program Requirements

- Satisfy academy expectations and high school graduation requirements- N.J.A.C.6A:8-5.1*
- Complete 4-year career academy course progression with 85% or better average
- Pass approved national exit exam designated for academy career pathway (NOCTI)
- Completion of Capstone project, internship, or externship during junior/senior year



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- Participation in academy activities and field trips
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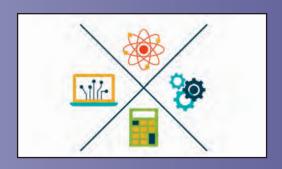
Opportunities / Incentives of career academy students

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- Involvement and social networking through nationally recognized career student organizations
- Participate in internships, externships, and work-related prospects
- Develop a high school transcript demonstrating academic preparedness for college-level program of study
- Earn college credits on an official college transcript while concurrently enrolled in high school courses of study
- Earn professionally recognized credentials
- Eligible for local, regional, and national scholarships
- Receive academy distinction on official high school transcript and during graduation ceremony

Where have our students gone for Engineering Studies

- Rowan University
- Camden County College
- Rowan College at Gloucester County
- Lehigh University
- University of Maryland
- University of Delaware
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- Monmouth University

- Drexel University
- Villanova University
- Cornell University
- Rutgers University
- Widener University
- York College, PA
- Virginia Tech University





COURSE SEQUENCE: MARKETING & BUSINESS LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Career Academy Courses

- Principles of Marketing (630) Grade 9
- Advanced Marketing Concepts and Strategies (635) Grade 10
- Sports & Entertainment Marketing (652) Grade 11
- Entrepreneurship & Strategic Marketing (644) Grade 12

Program Requirements

- Satisfy academy expectations and high school graduation requirements- N.J.A.C.6A:8-5.1*
- Complete 4-year career academy course progression with 85% or better average
- Pass approved national exit exam designated for academy career pathway (NOCTI)
- Completion of Capstone project, internship, or externship during junior/senior year



* Students should select a level of academic rigor for core subjects based on college admissions and preferred program of study criteria: College Prep (CP), Honors, Advanced Placement (AP).

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- Demonstrate academic integrity in all assignments and activities
- Satisfy subsequent course of study requirements, including required projects
- Participation in academy activities and field trips
- Participation in designated career-technical student organization (CTSO)
- Maintain a four-year portfolio including experiences, networking, certificates, awards

Opportunities / Incentives of career academy students:

- Exposure to real-world experiences through authentic learning, conferences, competitions and community-service activities
- Involvement and social networking through nationally recognized career student organizations
- Participate in internships, externships, and work-related prospects
- Develop a high school transcript demonstrating academic preparedness for college-level program of study
- Earn college credits on an official college transcript while concurrently enrolled in high school courses of study
- Earn professionally recognized credentials
- Eligible for local, regional, and national scholarships
- Receive academy distinction on official high school transcript and during graduation ceremony

Where have our students gone for Marketing & Business Leadership Studies

- Rutgers University
- Rowan University
- Temple University
- University of Scranton
- Manhattan College (NYC)
- Thomas Jefferson University
- Ohio State University
- University of Virginia Tech
- Monmouth University

- Drexel University
- Rowan College at Gloucester County
- Stevens Institute of Technology
- Fashion Institute of Design, NY
- College of William & Mary
- Stanford University
- University of Pennsylvania- Wharton School
- University of Delaware



COURSE SEQUENCE: TV PRODUCTION & BROADCAST JOURNALISM ACADEMY

Career Academy Courses

- Introduction to Television Production (925) Grade 9
- TV Broadcasting and Studio Production (926) Grade 10
- Advanced TV Broadcasting and Video Production (928) Grade 11
- Field Production and Filmmaking (960) Grade 12

Program Requirements

- Satisfy academy expectations and high school graduation requirements- N.J.A.C.6A:8-5.1*
- Complete 4-year career academy course progression with 85% or better average
- Pass approved national exit exam designated for academy career pathway (NOCTI)
- Participation in work-study experiences for video production and broadcasts
- Completion of capstone project, internship, or externship during junior/senior year

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- Follow policies in Student Handbook (including, but not limited to 90% attendance rate and Code of Conduct)
- Demonstrate academic integrity in all assignments and activities
- Satisfy subsequent course of study requirements, including required projects
- Participation in academy activities and field trips
- Participation in designated career-technical student organization (CTSO)
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Where have our students gone for Television Production & Broadcasting Studies

- Temple University
- Rowan University
- Drexel University
- West Chester University
- University of the Arts (Philadelphia)
- Cabrini University
- Virginia Tech University

- Rider University
- Elon University
- Rowan College at Gloucetser County
- New York University
- Manhattan College (NYC)
 - Columbia College (Chicago)
- University of Delaware





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