



Middle School School-based Career Academy Application

To be completed when an in-zone student is enrolling in a career academy after the School Choice deadline. The School Guidance Counselor or Career Academy teacher has the student complete the application. A copy of the application is kept in the Career Academy teacher’s classroom files.

Student Name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Student Number _____ Phone Number _____ Grade Level _____

Middle School _____ Career Academy _____

Career academies are small, personalized learning communities within a school which select students and teachers participate during a two-year span. Students enter the academy with parental knowledge and support.

A career academy involves teachers from different subjects working together as an interdisciplinary team. This model promotes a family-like atmosphere and results in close student-teacher ties.

A career academy includes the following essential elements:

- A small learning community
- A high school prep curriculum with a career theme
- Partnerships with business and industry, the community, and higher education

By design, these three central elements of a career academy lead to a school that focuses on rigor, relevance, and relationships.

- All students requesting acceptance into an academy must have a minimum of a “C” average for core academic courses.
- ESE students seeking career academy enrollment must have an IEP review for appropriateness of placement.
- Disciplinary records must reflect no more than a minimal number of minor occurrences and an acceptable attendance history.
- Upon acceptance, students must maintain at least a “B” in the Career and Technical academy course requirements or achieve at least an *overall* “C” and maintain acceptable attendance and behavior. Failure to maintain a minimum of a “C” average at the end of the school year will result in one of the following: the student being withdrawn from the academy and returned to his/her residential school or the student being withdrawn from the academy and re-scheduled into non-academy classes for the following school year (for students whose residential school is the location of the academy). The school must make a good-faith effort to employ parental assistance to rectify the student’s deficiencies prior to withdrawal.

*Any student who **does not** meet the enrollment criteria may request a waiver of the criteria. The waiver may be completed at: <http://career.escambia.k12.fl.us/home/index.asp>

A committee comprised of a school academy coordinator, a school administrator, a school choice representative, ESE representative (as applicable), and a workforce education representative may determine conditional

STUDENT AGREEMENT: I understand that by enrolling in this class, I am a member of a career academy.

Name _____ Date _____
(signature)