



WELCOME TO YOUR FUTURE!

Here in Birmingham, we are fortunate to be able to offer the newest educational approach to preparing you for careers in growth industries – the BCS Academies. These small learning communities help to focus you on the areas you're most interested in and give you the tools you need either to go straight to work right out of your senior year, or further pursue your options in college.

Academies like the ones we have in Birmingham are already proven to help people like you find a career path that fits and successfully pursue it. There are over 200 academies in 40 states and the District of Columbia.

Academies work by teaching you what you need to know in class and then giving you hands-on experience in real -world settings, so that you can see how what you're learning in school will actually get used in your chosen career. In the academies, you will be exposed along the way to how what you're int erested in is actually applied. Students will interact with teachers and guest speakers who are actively working in their field , have job shadowing, true field -based experience and be exposed to many career options.

In Birmingham, we currently have nine different types of academies being offered in seven different schools. Have a look at the a cademies we offer in Birmingham and see which one best fits your interests! When you're ready to apply, contact the school or visit http://academiesofbham.com.

We look forward to serving you.

Angela Lee Smith, Ed. S. Program Specialist Career Academies Birmingham City Schools National Academy Foundation - NAF is a national network of education, business, and community leaders who work together to ensure high school students are college, career, and future ready.

NAF's educational design ignites students' passion for learning and gives businesses the opportunity to shape America's future workforce by transforming the learning environment to include STEM infused industry-specific curricula and work-based learning experiences, including internships.

Since 1980, NAF has been partnering with high-need communities to improve outcomes for students by implementing NAF academies – small learning communities within existing high schools.

NAF has grown from one NAF Academy of Finance in New York City to hundreds of academies across the country focusing on growing industries including: finance, hospitality .4 (f)-17.7 ()10

Academy of Architecture and Construction HUFFMAN HIGH SCHOOL

PREREQUISITES: NONE | STARTING GRADE: 10TH Are you fascinated with how buildings, bridges, and all sort of other structures are

Academy of Engineering G.W. CARVER HIGH SCHOOL RAMSAY HIGH SCHOOL

PREREQUISITES: COMPLETION OF ALGEBRA 1 (8TH GRADE) | STARTING GRADE: 9TH If you enjoy understanding how things work, how buildings and bridges are built, what's inside computers and how rockets fly, engineering might be just the direction for you! Students in the Academy of Engineering (AOE) dig deep into how things are designed, with hands -on projects dealing with real -world problems. And when they graduate, they have what it ta kes to either begin a career or pursue their passion in college. NOTE: Must be accepted into Ramsay before being considered for Academy.

Academy of Health Sciences G.W. CARVER P.D. JACKSON-OLIN A. H. PARKER HIGH SCHOOLS

PREREQUISITES: NONE | STARTING GRADE: 10TH

If you like helping people, if you enjoy the satisfaction of seeing people go from feeling bad to feeling better, if you dream of working with medical technology or helping people, then attending the Academy of H ealth Sciences (AOHS) may be the ideal place for you. There is no better place to learn the basics that will help you develop a career in this amazingly fast -growing industry.

Academy of Hospitality and Tourism WENONAH HIGH SCHOOL

PREREQUISITES: NONE | STARTING GRADE: 10TH

If you ever dreamed of running a restaurant or hotel, helping people plan trips around the world, being involved in big events such as the Crawfish Boil, or managing a football stadium, you were imaging yourself in one of the world's fastest -growing industries; hospitality and tourism and the BCS Academy of Hospitality and Tourism (AOHT) may be just the place for you to fulfill your dreams.

Academy of Urban Educators A.H. PARKER HIGH SCHOOL

PREREQUISITES: NONE | STARTING GRADE: 10TH

So you think you might want to be a teacher? There is simply nothing quite like seeing the look of understanding that lights up someone's face when you've successfully communicated an idea to them that they had n ot been able to grasp before. One of the noblest, most respected, and rewarding careers you can have is teaching. If teaching is your passion, the Academy of Urban Educators, (AUE) is the starting place.

Academy of Visual Communications G. W. CARVER HIGH SCHOOL

PREREQUISITES: NONE | STARTING GRADE: 10 The Academy of Visual Communication s (AOV)

Program Design

Along with their required courses and CTE requirements, Academy students can take dual enrollment courses for college credit while enrolled in high school. Every student is encouraged to take at least two years of foreign language. Academy students work as interns at related industry settings.

Industry Certifications

Industry certifications are an important component of Career Academies and CTE Programs verifying that students have demonstrated technical skill attainment. Select industry certifications have been approved at the state level for free college credits awarded to students.

Career Academies

Career academies combine a collegepreparatory curriculum with a career -themed focus, aligned to Career Clusters. Students enrolled in career academies follow a sequential CTE program of study that leads to industry certification and opportunities to earn postsecondary credit and scholarships.

Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSO)

Some of the most exciting and satisfying times of a CTE student's education can be his/her experient Caree/he



Delta Epsilon Chi Association of Marketing Students

DECAprepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs in marketing, finance, hospitality and management in high schools and colleges around the globe.

Family, Career and Community Leaders of America

The mission of FCCLA is to promote personal growth and leadership development through Family and Consumer Sciences education. Members develop skills for life through: character development, creative and critical thinking, interpersonal communication, practical knowledge, and career preparation.



Future Business Leaders of America

Future Business Leaders of America is composed of students from middle schools, high schools, and technical centers who are interested in business.



SkillsUSA is a national organization serving teachers and high school and college students who are preparing for careers in technical, skilled and service occupations, including health occupations.

Academy Code of Conduct

The Academy of Hospitality and Tourism will adhere to the Code of Conduct outlined by Birmingham City Schools in every regard.

Attendance