

Career Academy FAQ'S

What is a Career Academy?

Career Academies exist as a school within a school. Students within the Career Academy take several classes together as a cohort and are enrolled in a series of career themed courses over four years. As a part of the Career Academy, students participate in real world learning experiences through job shadowing and internships experiences. Career Academies are supported by strong business and industry partnerships.

Do the courses students take in the Career Academy count towards graduation?

Students are required to enroll in a minimum of four Career Academy courses over four years. All courses count towards elective credits and meeting graduation requirements.

What is the process to enroll in an Career Academy?

Students must complete and submit a one-page application to their guidance counselor to be considered for enrollment in a Career Academy program. Applications are processed on a first come first served basis and space is limited. Applications are on a first come, first served basis.

How many different academy programs does OKCPS have and where are they located?

Oklahoma City Public Schools currently offers 9 different Career Academies at 11 different school sites and each are open for enrollment to incoming freshmen. Please visit the district website for a full list of academy offerings.

How will transferring to a Career Academy program affect my student's athletic eligibility?

Students who transfer to a Career Academy program during their freshman year will be eligible to participate in athletics provided all other eligibility requirements are met.

If my student wants to attend a Career Academy program outside of our attendance area will transportation be provided by the school district?

Transportation will be provided for all students who reside within OKCPS attendance boundaries to attend a Career Academy program. Metro Transit is partnering with OKCPS to provide transportation to our Career Academy programs. Oklahoma City Public Schools Office of Secondary Schools 900 N. Klein, Oklahoma City, OK 73106 P: (405) 587-0010 F: (405) 297-6624

What are the academic admission requirements to participate in a Career Academy program?

There are no academic admission requirements for a student to participate in a Career Academy program. Students who express an interest in participating in a program may do so, provided space is available.

Can students with behavioral difficulties participate in a Career Academy program?

Students with prior behavior problems may participate in a Career Academy program with special permission from the principal of the receiving school.

When multiple schools offer the same program, does my student have to attend the school closest to our home and will transportation still be provided?

Students who elect to attend a program that is not the program closest to their home may attend that program but transportation will not be provided by the district.

What if my student enrolls in a program and later decides they don't like that program. Can they switch to another program?

Once a student is approved for a transfer to a Career Academy program they must remain with that program until the end of the school year. Students may choose another program at the beginning of their sophomore year.

Where can I find out more information about OKCPS Career Academy programs?

For more information on our Career Academies you may contact the school's guidance office or visit our website at www.okcps.org/CareerAcademies.