

High School Academy Application 2020-2021

High School Academy Applications **should only be completed by the parent/legal guardian of a rising 9th grade student who desires to transfer to East Rowan High, Jesse Carson High, North Rowan High, Salisbury High, South Rowan High or West Rowan High under academy provisions.** Academy applications should be returned during the Window of Opportunity; February 3rd – March 20th, along with the required student essay. Once the Window of Opportunity has closed, there will be no further opportunity to apply for academy entrance for the 2020-21 school year. Applications should be returned to your child's school office or to:

Rowan-Salisbury Schools' Enrollment Specialist:

Mailing Address

PO Box 2349
Salisbury, NC 28145

Physical Address

500 N. Main St.
Salisbury, NC 28144

Email

amanda.howard@rss.k12.nc.us

As the parent/guardian I understand that I am responsible for transportation to/from school, if approved: No Yes

Student Information: (only one student per form)

Student Name	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	Student Number	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	Grade for 2020-21	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>
Parent's Name	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	Current School in 2019-20	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>		
Parent's Physical Address	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	Parent's Mailing Address (if different)	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>		
Home Phone Number	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	Work Phone Number	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>		
Parent's Email Address	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>				

Please CIRCLE below the Academy you wish to attend beginning in the 2018/2019 school year

School	East Rowan	Jesse C. Carson	North Rowan	Salisbury	South Rowan	West Rowan
Academy	Business, & Information Technology	Fine & Performing Arts	Center of Entrepreneurship and Design	S.T.E.M Advanced Manufacturing	Communications and Digital Design	Agriculture
Concentration	<input type="checkbox"/> Business <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing <input type="checkbox"/> IT- Coding and Webdesign	<input type="checkbox"/> Instrumental Music <input type="checkbox"/> Vocal Performance <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Arts <input type="checkbox"/> Theatre Arts <input type="checkbox"/> Dance	<input type="checkbox"/> Entrepreneurship	<input type="checkbox"/> S.T.E.M <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Manufacturing	<input type="checkbox"/> Broadcasting Journalism <input type="checkbox"/> Media/Film Production <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations <input type="checkbox"/> Multimedia Design <input type="checkbox"/> Game Art Design/Animation	<input type="checkbox"/> Horticulture <input type="checkbox"/> Animal Science <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural Mechanics <input type="checkbox"/> Farm to Table

In the table above, please **CIRCLE** the school and academy and desired concentration you are applying to attend. Additional academy information can be found on pages 3-5 of this document.

ACADEMY GUIDELINES

Academy Entrance: Rising 9th grade students who are unable to obtain academies or concentrations in his/her regularly assigned school, may apply to another school within RSSS in order to enroll in a program of study or academy not offered. Transfers into high school academies for rising 9th graders will be granted on a space available basis, with student in the academy host school given first opportunity for enrollment in the academy.

Academy Termination: If a student fails to enroll and continue in a requested academy or concentration, the principal will recommend that the transfer be revoked. A 365-day wait period for athletics would apply upon the return to the "home school" (school serving domicile at time of transfer termination).

Athletic Wait Period: Rising 9th grade students who are accepted into any RSSS academies or concentrations will NOT be subject to the 365-day athletic wait period that applies to traditional student transfers; HOWEVER, students who enroll in their "home school" after attending one of the above academies under the provisions listed above WILL be subject to a 365-day athletic wait period.

Additional Requirement: In 100 words or less, please explain why you want to attend the selected academy and include how participation in the academy will enhance or support your future college or career choices or include other evidence to support your reason for applying to the specific academy. Please provide your essay in the space below.

PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR ESSAY BELOW. (You may attach additional evidence, if necessary)

By signing below, I attest that the essay is my own work and not that of anyone else. I understand and agree to all of the guidelines above regarding academy admission.

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature:
I understand and agree to all the guidelines above for academy admission in Rowan-Salisbury Schools for beginning 2020/21. It will be the responsibility of the parent/legal guardian to enroll your child at the requested school, if your academy transfer request is approved.
Application and Notification Process: The window of opportunity for student transfer is Feb. 3, 2020 – March 20, 2020. Application must be completed by parent/legal guardian along with required essay for processing to begin. Applications should be returned to your child's school or mailed to PO Box 2349, Salisbury, NC 28145, by March 20, 2020 (or have a March 20 th postmark). Applications will be reviewed by the Academy Review Committee. Applicants will be notified by a mailed letter of approval or denial by June 16 th . Students whose transfer applications are approved will not have to reapply. <u>The transfer will renew each year as long as the student remains in the academy/concentration requested.</u> Athletic Eligibility: Rising 9 th grade students (2020-21) who are admitted into one of the approved academies/concentrations will NOT be subject to a one-year (365 days) athletic wait period. If the student enrolls in their "home school" (school serving student's domicile at the time of transfer termination), the athletic wait period will be implemented. Students whose applications for transfer are approved must adhere to the following stipulations: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Provide transportation to and from school.2. Comply with the attendance policy.3. Maintain acceptable behavior4. Maintain the academic average for promotion to the next grade level.5. Continue enrollment in the approved concentration or academy. If a student fails to enroll and continue in a requested academy/concentration, the principal will recommend that the transfer be revoked. A principal can recommend that a student's transfer be revoked, if any of the above stipulations are not met, the transfer was requested for athletic or social reasons, or the transfer was granted upon false or misleading information.

Approved: Yes No – Reason: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Rowan Salisbury Schools Academy Information

Jesse C. Carson High School

Arts Academy

The Academy of the Arts is designed for students to find and develop their voices as artists. Offering pathways in fine and performing arts including dance, instrumental music, theater, vocal music and visual arts, the passion to create is the common thread that ties our academy together.

East Rowan High School

Business & Informational Technology Academy

The Business and Information Technology Academy is where ITs at! Students will be immersed in classes designed to educate and prepare students for a commitment to business and computer programming while developing leaders in an ever-changing global economy. Students will learn industry recognized skills in the areas of productivity software, ecommerce, accounting, marketing and entrepreneurship. The information technology pathway will provide students with opportunities to learn app development, computer programming, including C family programming languages and advanced programming concepts, and cyber security. Students will have the opportunity to apply entrepreneurial and computer skills in specialized business internships and partner with local businesses in development of marketing tools and informational technology. Join students with like-interests and career goals by participating and competing in East's award-winning Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA).

Industry Credentials

Conover Soft Skill
Microsoft Technology Assistant
Microsoft Office Specialist
Everfi & W!se Financial
Quickbooks
C+ certification

North Rowan High School

True North Academy - Center for Entrepreneurship and Design

Find your True North through real-world work in design courses that align with core classes and your personal passions. Through collaborative activities learners will increase their professionalism through the development of critical thinking, interpersonal, and communication skills. Create a pathway to your own post-graduation plans through integrated AP, RCCC, and high school courses that set you on a path for life-long success. Engage in a full array of extra-curricular activities including media team, robotics, band, theater, and sports.

Industry Credentials

Career Management- Career Readiness Employability Skills
Project Management
Entrepreneurship- Entrepreneurship and Management/ Small Business Certification

Salisbury High School

Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics and Advanced Manufacturing Academies

Choose from over 20 Advanced Placement courses to prepare for a college S.T.E.M degree and learn to use specialized robotics equipment for engineering design. The new Advanced Manufacturing Academy will ensure students hone skills from every aspect of manufacturing from engineering and design to product creation. Successful students will be immediately employable or well-prepared for a two-year or four-year program in mechanical engineering, computer integrated machining, or welding.

Industry Credentials

OSHA 10-hour Industry
Certified Production Technician

South Rowan High School

Communications and Digital Design Academy

Learn industry-based skills in marketing, public relations, journalism, media and film, digital photography, gaming design, graphic design, app development or animation through project-based courses and relevant experiences in the communications and digital design fields. Students in our academy will have the opportunity to join Skills USA to develop and showcase their communication skills with an opportunity to compete at the State and National levels. In the Communications Academy, students can learn the latest versions of the Adobe Suite software, develop programming skills using the latest technology, gain experience in a classroom media studio and participate in field based experiences that will set them apart from their peers as they explore their next steps after high school.

Industry Credentials

Adobe Photoshop
Adobe InDesign
Adobe Illustrator
Adobe Dreamweaver
Adobe Premier
Microsoft Office Spec

West Rowan High School

Agriculture Academy and Farm-to-Table

Learn industry-based skills in agriculture with focuses available in animal science, horticulture and agricultural mechanics. Take your agricultural knowledge to the next level in our farm-to-table program by learning how to cultivate, prepare, design and market meals using fresh and home-grown ingredients in a commercial restaurant environment. Join students with like-interests and career goals by participating in award-winning organizations such as Future Farmers of America (FFA) and Family Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA).

Industry Credentials

NC Hunter Safety Course

National SafeTractor

Certified Welding

NC Beef Quality Assurance

NC Poultry Quality Assurance

OSHA 10-hour general industry certification

ServSafe

ProStart Level 1

ProStart Level 2