



# Choice Programs

Educational choice is the practice of allowing all families to make meaningful decisions about how and where their children will receive a primary and secondary education from a variety of schools and programs. In Volusia County, options may include, but not be limited to, controlled open enrollment, charter schools, advanced programs, dual enrollment, home school, virtual school and career academies.

## *Choice for Capacity*

Each Volusia County school is considered a school of choice and will be designated with one of the following classifications: substantial capacity, limited capacity, or waitlisted. Available school capacity is the primary determining factor for approvals of choice applications. The classification of each school is based on projected student enrollments.

## *Charter Schools*

A list of Volusia County charter schools can be found at <https://www.vcsedu.org/directory/departments/student-services/charter-schools>. Contact individual charter schools for information on their application process.

## *Teenage Parent Program*

A public charter school specifically designed for pregnant and parenting teens and young adults, along with their children, offers a unique educational environment. Transportation services are available for both the student and their baby. In this setting, students apply classroom lessons by interacting with children in the childcare environment, passing on valuable skills to their own children. The school accepts vouchers from the Early Learning Coalition and Daytona State College. It provides a blend of hybrid online learning and live-taught classes, with certified teachers offering assistance and supervision throughout the day.

## *Career Academies*

Academies provide unique learning opportunities through extensive business partnerships, integrated instruction, hands-on learning, field studies, service learning, career shadowing, Career & Technical Student Organizations, and internships. Teachers, in conjunction with business partners, provide the real-world skills necessary for students to be successful in today's work environment. Many academies offer post-secondary dual enrollment and industry certification options. There are 37 career academies in Volusia's 10 high schools.

**\*School bus transportation is not provided for enrollment of choice programs.**

## *Career Clusters*

- Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources
- Architecture & Construction
- Arts, A/V Technology & Communication
- Business, Management & Administration
- Education & Training
- Engineering & Technology Education
- Finance
- Health Science
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Human Services
- Information Technology
- Law, Public Safety & Security
- Manufacturing
- Marketing, Sales & Service
- Transportation, Distribution and Logistics