



Postsecondary Enrollment Policy

PURPOSE

Students are encouraged to plan for postsecondary opportunities so they will be adequately prepared upon graduation from high school. Each student who enrolls in the sixth (6th) grade will begin to develop an Individual Career and Academic Plan (ICAP). The student's career and academic plan will be designed to assist the student and the student's parent/guardian in exploring the postsecondary career and educational opportunities available, aligning course work and curriculum, applying to postsecondary education institutions, securing financial aid and ultimately entering the workforce.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

Postsecondary opportunities are courses, programs, and experiences offered by The Academy or a partnering institution of higher education related to secondary career and technical education (CTE), advanced placement courses (AP), or other coursework resulting in the acquisition of a certificate, an associate degree, and other credential or baccalaureate degree programs.

Qualified students shall establish, in consultation with the school principal or designee, an academic plan of study that aligns with the student's ICAP and describes the courses (including postsecondary courses) the student intends to complete to satisfy The Academy's high school graduation requirements. Prior to the qualified student's enrollment in a postsecondary course, the principal or designee shall review and approve the student's academic plan of study in accordance with applicable State Board of Education rules.

CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT

Concurrent Enrollment (CE) is the simultaneous enrollment of a qualified student in The Academy's high school and in one or more postsecondary courses through an institution of higher education for which the qualified student receives both high school and college credit upon successful completion of the course. CE options shall be made available to high school students and their parents/guardians on an annual basis.

The Academy shall pay the tuition for approved postsecondary courses but shall not provide or pay for the qualified student's transportation to the institution of higher education. The tuition paid by The Academy for an approved postsecondary course shall be in accordance with state law and the school's cooperative agreement with the institution of higher education. The qualified student and the student's parent/guardian shall be responsible for the cost of textbooks and any other fees for approved postsecondary courses.

Students who attend institutions of higher education in accordance with this policy shall still be considered as enrolled at The Academy, and such students' eligibility to participate in high school activities shall be determined without regard to enrollment in postsecondary courses.

ACADEMIC CREDIT

Academic credit granted for postsecondary courses successfully completed by a qualified student shall count as high school credit toward The Academy's graduation requirements, unless such credit is denied because the qualified student does not receive a passing grade for the postsecondary course.

POLICY REVIEW

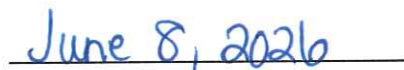
All discrepancies between this policy and others shall be brought to the attention and resolved by the Executive Director or designee. This policy shall be reviewed periodically and updated as state law evolves.

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This policy supersedes any previously existing policy of The Academy of Charter Schools pertaining to the content herein.

The Board of Directors at The Academy approved the Postsecondary Enrollment Policy on Monday, May 18, 2026.



Board Chairperson



Date