

More Important Information re: High School Academy Application Process

- Parents and students may view videos of offerings at each high school at academies.stjohns.k12.fl.us/videos
- **The High School Showcase will take place** Thursday, Jan. 19 from 3:30 – 7 pm for students and parents.
- On-line academy applications will be done through HAC. The student must log-in using their Active Directory Account, which is the same account they use to log into the district network (s + student ID). If students do not recall their Active Directory credentials, they can ask in the front office. Student Active Directory information cannot be given to parents over the phone or by email. It can be given if they come in and show proof of guardianship.
- Applications can be submitted between Jan. 19 - Feb. 10 at 11:59 pm.
- Directions to apply can be found at academies.stjohns.k12.fl.us/registration.
- Students may apply for up to three Programs of Choice at multiple schools. Students may be accepted into one or more programs at one school only. During class registration for next year, the student can inquire whether there is additional room in any other Programs of Choice for which they are interested. At that point after Feb. 10, the Career Specialist at the high school must approve any additional students being added to any Program of Choice.
- Auditions for St. Johns County Center for the Arts are on Friday, Feb. 17. Check details at <http://www.sicca.org>. (Must apply by Feb. 10 and must audition on Feb. 17 to be considered.)
- Notifications of acceptances and denials will be emailed to students and parents by Thursday, Feb. 23 at 11:59 pm.
- Any St. Johns county residents attending **private or charter schools or who are home-schooled** and not taking any St. Johns Virtual School classes need to pre-enroll at their **current zoned school** and obtain a Student Active Directory account number. See the school district website for a list of required enrollment documents. Parents may complete a paper version of the Program of Choice application after completing the enrollment process. School staff will hold it until they can add the Student Active Directory Account information and then fax it to Theresa Dodd at 904-547-4865. (This information cannot be emailed.) Theresa will enter it into the online system and notify the parent of completion. The due date for the application to be entered online into HAC is Feb. 10 at 11:59 pm.
- For students who accept a Program of Choice invitation, completion of the registration process is required BEFORE the first day of school. <http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/student/enrollment/>.
- Legal Guardians/parents who have **active military status** MUST show their military cards to the Computer Operators. They will then update the date they view the cards in eSchoolPlus. This needs to be done annually and then FL law allows these students to apply to any program at any school.
- If IB or AICE is available to a student at their zoned high school, the student cannot apply for an advanced academic program at another school.
- Students who have JROTC at their zoned high school cannot apply for those programs at other schools unless their parents have active military cards.
- Home-schooled or St. Johns Virtual School students participating in a Career Academy must participate in the cohorted core courses for the program as the schedule allows.
- Students must audition on Feb. 17 to be considered for the St. Johns County Center for the Arts.
- Students cannot attend some classes at one high school and the rest of their classes at another high school.
- Students are expected to remain in a Program of Choice at a high school for the entire school year.
- A student may be removed from a Program of Choice due to inappropriate behavior, excessive absences or tardiness, poor grades, etc. In this situation, if the student is not zoned for that school, they will be returned to their zoned school at the semester break.
- Current 8th and 9th grade students may apply for a program of choice during the annual application period. Students cannot apply to new Programs of Choice after their freshman year.
- An Out-of-Zone Waiver is not necessary for students applying to Programs of Choice. Acceptance into the program acts as their Out-of-Zone waiver.
- For students who take any three computer education classes in middle school or who complete Digital Information Technology (high school credit) in middle school, they are exempt from having to take Digital Information Technology in high school in the career academy program to which they are accepted that has that course as the first year course. Students meeting this criteria will be placed into the second year course in the career academy program to which they have been accepted.

2017-18 programs included in this situation are:

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| BTHS | VyStar Academy of Business and Finance | PMHS | VyStar Academy of Business and Finance |
| NHS | Communications Academy – Digital Design strand | NHS | Academy of Hospitality and Tourism |
| PVHS | Academy of International Business and Marketing | | |