The Academies of Dearborn Public Schools

@ Fordson High School

Vision

Students First: Education with a Purpose

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Academy of Business and Hospitality

Academy of Health Sciences

Academy of Human Services

Academy of Industry, Technology and Innovation

Academies of Dearborn Public Schools @ Fordson Pathways

Business and Hospitality

- Accounting
- Business Management
- Culinary Arts
- Fashion Design
- Hospitality
- Interior Design

Health Sciences

- Dentist
- Dental Hygiene/Assistant
- Doctor
- EMS
- Nurse
- Nurse Assistant
- Nutrition
- Therapeutic Services

Human Services

- Broadcasting
- Counseling
- Education
- Education Parapro
- Law Enforcement
- Lawyer
- Paralegal
- Psychology
- Social Work

Industry, Tech and Innovation

- Architecture
- Automotive Tech
- Carpentry
- Computer Tech
- Construction
- Electrical
- Engineering
- Graphic Arts
- Photography
- Plumbing
- Welding

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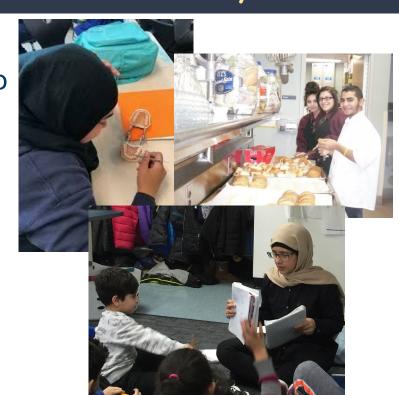# 9th Grade: Career Exploration in the Freshman Academy

- YouScience: Career Exploration and Aptitude Program
- Career Exploration Lessons
- Field Trips to Colleges, Universities and Businesses based on interest
- Guest speakers
- Career Fair: In December during 5th and 6th hours
- Creation of My Career Plan with Counselors
- All 9th grade students choose an Academy beginning in their sophomore year in the second semester

How do I choose an Academy?

- **Consider what you like to do now, your favorite courses in school and areas where you feel you have a strength.**
- **Spend some time looking at your YouScience results including what it takes to actually gain employment in some of your suggested careers.**
- **Don't just look at how much money a career can potentially earn. There is more to career satisfaction than just money/salary.**
- **Remember that this is a time to explore a POTENTIAL career while in high school.**

10th Grade: Begin Career Academy

- Students are teamed by Academy
- Students take at least 1 course related to their Academy per semester
- Students continue college and university and business visits/field trips
- Business Partnership Speakers brought in to address students in each Academy i.e. Manufacturing Day Presentation by AK Steel coming in October
- Project Based Learning opportunities offered in each Academy

CTE and the Michael Berry Career Center

Career and Technical Education Courses provide:

1. A sequence of related courses to begin training for high demand, high paying, high skilled careers
2. An engaging, hands-on curriculum
3. Field trips, job shadows, mentors, internships and other "Work Based Learning" opportunities.
4. The chance to earn *College Credit* for your high school career classes
5. Industry certifications to help you be more prepared and more competitive in today's job market
6. The chance to apply what you learn in competition against other schools through CTE Student Service Organizations (CTSOs) like BPA, DECA, HOSA and SkillsUSA.
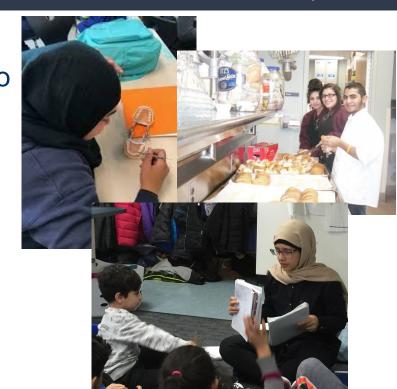
11th Grade: Continue Career Academy

- Students are teamed by Academy
- Students take at least 1 course related to their Academy per semester
- College and Career Field Experiences continue such as mock interviews and job shadowing
- Project Based Learning opportunities continued in each Academy
- Dual enrollment classes at Henry Ford College based on Academy choice

Henry Ford College Partnership:

- Partnership allows students to take Academy electives at the HFC
- Students earn college credit through dual enrollment
- Students work to earn professional certifications

12th Grade: Capstone Year

- Students are teamed by Academy
- Students take at least 1 course related to their Academy per semester
- College and Career Field Experiences continue such as mock interviews and job shadowing and internships
- Continue dual enrollment classes at Henry Ford College based on Academy choice
- Capstone Senior project