

# The Academies of Dearborn Public Schools

@ Fordson High School 



# Vision

## Students

### First:

## Education

### with a

## Purpose



# Mission & Beliefs

## Mission

The Academies of Dearborn Public Schools will collaborate with industry, post secondary and community partners to ensure that all students engage in a program of study that provides a comprehensive and career focused curriculum to prepare every student for post secondary success in college and/or career.

## Beliefs

- Every student will have a plan for their future.
- Every student will engage in a program of study aligned to their career interests and abilities.
- Every student will be mentored through connections with staff, industry, post-secondary and community partners.
- Every student will have the opportunity to gain college credit for advanced coursework and/or complete an industry certification while in high school.
- Every student will develop work-ready skills.
- Every student will have the opportunity to apply classroom learning in a workplace setting.



# The Academies of Dearborn Public Schools @ Fordson

**Academy of  
Business and  
Hospitality**



**Academy of  
Health  
Services**



**Academy of  
Human  
Services**



**Academy of Industry,  
Technology and  
Innovation**



**Academies of Dearborn Public Schools @ Fordson Pathways**

# 9th Grade: Career Exploration in the Freshman Academy

- Career Cruising
- Career Exploration Course
- Field Trips to Colleges, Universities and Businesses based on interest
- Guest speakers
- Career Fair
- Creation of My Career Plan with Counselors
- All 9th grade students choose an Academy

# Business Partnerships Activities

## **Academy Partner Activities**

**(please check all that apply):**

- ☐ **Guest Speakers**
- ☐ **Career Fair**
- ☐ **Career Mentors**
- ☐ **Curriculum Development**
- ☐ **Teacher Externships**
- ☐ **Job Shadowing**

- ☐ **Field Trips**
- ☐ **Mock Interviews**
- ☐ **Academy Advisory Board**
- ☐ **Student Internships**
- ☐ **Industry Certification**
- ☐ **Exam Tutors**

# 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
- PBL opportunities offered in each Academy



# CTE

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.





# Henry Ford College Partnership:

- Partnership allows students to take Academy electives
- Students earn college credit
- Students work to earn professional certifications



# Timeline:

- **Year 1:** 9th grade career exploration, 10th grade Career Academy launch
- **Year 2:** 9th grade career exploration, 10th Grade Career Academy, 11th grade Career Academy launch
- **Year 3:** 9th grade career exploration, 10th grade Career Academy, 11th grade Career Academy, 12th grade Academy launch with capstone project.

# Education with a Purpose

