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**Information Agenda Item:** Revision for the 2017-2018 FCECA Handbook

**Applicable Statute or Regulation:** BOE 1.1 Powers and Duties of Board

**Fiscal/Budgetary Impact:** No budgetary impact.

**History/Background:** As the FCECA program continues to change it is necessary to make changes to the FCECA Student Handbook. The proposed changes will address tardiness for students, the decreased number of tutors due to the reduction in the number of schools in the district, and it updates the sample course sequences for the Associate of Science Degree and the Associate of Arts Degree.

**Recommended Action:** Approve as recommended.

**Contact Person:** Dale Pack, Director of District Wide Services

**Date:** June 8, 2017

**DIRECTOR**

**SUPERINTENDENT**

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# 2017 - 2018 Floyd County Schools Early College Academy Handbook



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*"Better than a thousand days of diligent study is one day with a great teacher." Japanese Proverb*



## ***Vision***

***Building A Better Future for Every Child Every Day***

***By***

***Ensuring All Students are College and Career Ready***



**Floyd County Early College Academy**



## ***Mission***

***The Mission of the Floyd County Schools Early College Academy is to accelerate learning by ensuring students are engaged in challenging experiences that enhance their readiness for college and career. By connecting high school and college experiences, our district seeks to develop the academic, personal, creative, social, and leadership abilities of our students.***

# ***Welcome to the Floyd County Early College Academy Here's What's Most Important***

- ***Their safety***
- ***Their learning***
- ***Their opportunities***
- ***Their success***
- ***Their happiness***



***"America's future walks  
through our door  
everyday."***

## ***Superintendent's Message***

In Floyd County Schools, we believe ***It's All About Kids*** and that is why we are excited about this terrific opportunity for our students. The ***Floyd County Early College Academy (FCECA)*** is a program designed to meet the needs of students who excel academically and who possess the personal characteristics needed to successfully attend college earlier than the traditional age. Academy students will enjoy the best of both worlds as they will be earning college credit and attending classes on a college campus while still participating in all the extra-curricular activities at their "home" high schools.

Students from all Floyd County high schools are eligible to apply through a competitive acceptance process. Students will be selected for admission during the second semester of their sophomore year and those who gain admittance will attend classes on the of Big Sandy Community and Technical College in Prestonsburg. The academic program will be enhanced and rigorous with the educational goal of graduating from high school while simultaneously earning an associate degree.

Providing our students a safe place to learn is a top priority and we understand that even our best and most mature students occasionally need guidance and support. Students attending the Academy will be under the supervision of staff from Floyd County Schools and Big Sandy Community and Technical College. Even though they are young adults, we will be close by.

This handbook outlines specific requirements and criteria and hopefully will answer most, if not all, of your questions. If you need additional information please contact your local school counselor or Dale Pack, Director of Instruction with our office. Mr. Pack can be reached by telephone at 606-886-5545 or via email at [dale.pack@floyd.kyschools.us](mailto:dale.pack@floyd.kyschools.us). Please contact us anytime, we love talking about the Floyd County Early College Academy.

Dr. Henry L. Webb  
Superintendent, Floyd County Schools



## **General Information**

**Mailing Address:** Floyd County Schools  
106 North Front Avenue  
Prestonsburg, KY 41653

**Physical Address:** Floyd County Early College Academy  
Big Sandy Community and Technical College  
Box 157, One Bert Combs Drive  
Prestonsburg, KY 41653

**Phone:** 606-889-4736  
8:00 AM – 3:30 PM



### **Policies & Procedures**

Academy students will be subject to all of the applicable policies and procedures of the Floyd County Board of Education and Big Sandy Community and Technical College.

### **Daily Schedule and Inclement Weather**

FCECA will be on a “Performance Based System”. Start and end times of the Academy will be 8:15 a.m.—3:05 p.m. Monday—Thursday when school is in session at BSCTC.

Students will follow the BSCTC schedule unless inclement weather causes Floyd County Schools to close. If FCS are closed due to inclement weather students are not required to attend school. However, under parent discretion students may attend classes. (No buses will run.)

### **Tutoring Work Program Opportunities**

Fridays provide a unique opportunity for academy students to participate in a work program that gives 24 students opportunities to become an assistant or tutor at a designated FC school. The district agrees to give each participant minimum wage for up to four hours each Friday, a maximum of 36 Fridays in a school year. To be eligible, Academy students must complete the Floyd County Early College Work Program Application and agree to all FCS policies. Priority will be given to second year Academy students. Fridays also afford Academy students the opportunity to participate in other programs such as hospital volunteer programs, mentorships, job shadowing, etc.

### **Transportation**

Academy students will be subject to all of the applicable policies and procedures of the Floyd County Board of Education.

### **Meals**

Floyd County Schools will provide student meals from a local school cafeteria.

### **Participation in Co/Extra-Curricular Activities**

Students of the Academy can continue to participate in any co/extra-curricular activity offered at their home school.

### **Student Drug Testing**

All student drug testing policies of the Floyd County Schools remain in effect for students enrolled in the Academy.

## Required High School Courses and Sample Course Sequence for High School Graduation and Associate Degree in the Sciences

|                         |  |   |
|-------------------------|--|---|
| <b>8th Grade</b>        | <b>11th Grade</b>                                | <b>12th Grade</b>                                     |
| Algebra I               | <b>Fall Semester</b>                             | <b>Fall Semester</b>                                  |
|                         | ENGLISH 101 3 hrs<br>(Writing I)                 | CHEMISTRY 170 & 175 5 hrs<br>OR (Lab)                 |
| <b>9th Grade</b>        | HISTORY 109 3 hrs                                | PHY 201 & PHY 202 (Lab) 5 hrs<br>(College Physics)    |
| Geometry                | BIOLOGY 150 & 151 4 hrs<br>OR (Lab)              | MAT 175 5 hrs<br>(Calculus I)                         |
| English I               | BIO 137 4 hrs<br>(Human Anatomy & Physiology)    | SOCIOLOGY 152 3 hrs<br>OR                             |
| Integrated Science      | COM 181 3 hrs<br>(Basic Public Speaking)         | PSYCHOLOGY 110 3 hrs                                  |
| Intro to Social Studies | FYE 105 3 hrs<br>(Achieving Academic Success)    | ART 100 3 hrs   |
| Foreign Language        | MAT 150 3 hrs<br>(College Algebra)               |   |
| Health/PE               | <b>Spring Semester</b>                           | <b>Spring Semester</b>                                |
|                         | ENGLISH 102 3 hrs<br>(Writing II)                | CHEMISTRY 180 & 185 5 hrs<br>OR (Lab)                 |
| <b>10th Grade</b>       | SOCIOLOGY 101 3 hrs                              | PHY 203 & PHY 204 (Lab) 5 hrs<br>(College Physics II) |
| Biology I               | BIOLOGY 152 & 153 4 hrs<br>OR (Lab)              | MAT 185 5 hrs<br>(Calculus II)                        |
| US History              | BIO 139 4 hrs<br>(Human Anatomy & Physiology II) | STATISTICS 220 3 hrs                                  |
| Algebra II              | CIT 105 3 hrs<br>(Intro to Computers)            | COM 252 3 hrs<br>(Interpersonal Communications)       |
| English II              | MAT 155 3 hrs<br>(Trigonometry)                  | OR  |
| Foreign Language II     |  | COM 254 3 hrs<br>(Intercultural Communications)       |

## Associate Degree in the Arts







## Floyd County Early College Academy Admissions Process

Enrollment in the Academy is open to all our students and is a competitive process. The next few pages will discuss how applications will be scored. There is an eight part scoring rubric or guide that is heavily weighted toward academic performance and attendance. We believe that students who can demonstrate past academic success and who realize the importance of being in school every day have the best chance for success in the demanding academy environment.

Applications will be scored by a scoring committee comprised of FCS staff. The point values are listed below.

| CRITERIA                    | POINT VALUE |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Grade Point Average         | 35          |
| Assessments                 | 30          |
| Attendance                  | 15          |
| Extra-Curricular Activities | 5           |
| Community Service           | 3           |
| Honors & Awards             | 2           |
| Household Income            | 5           |
| 1st Generation College      | 5           |
| Total                       | 100         |

*"Education is learning what you didn't even  
know you didn't know."  
Daniel J. Boorstin*



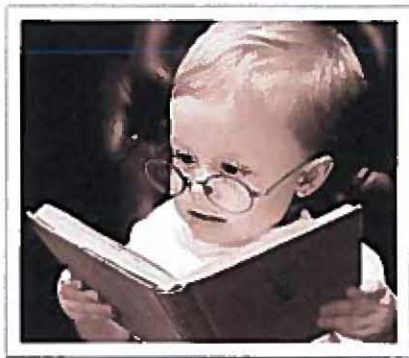


# Floyd County Early College Academy Application Scoring Criteria

## Grade Point Average

| GPA                   | Point Value |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| (unweighted) 4.0..... | 35          |
| 3.8 to 3.9.....       | 32          |
| 3.6 to 3.7.....       | 29          |
| 3.4 to 3.5.....       | 26          |
| 3.2 to 3.3 .....      | 23          |
| 3.0 to 3.1.....       | 20          |

**\*minimum 3.0 GPA required for admission**



## Assessment

| ACT Score | Point Value |
|-----------|-------------|
| 36.....   | 30          |
| 35.....   | 29          |
| 34.....   | 28          |
| 33.....   | 27          |
| 32.....   | 26          |
| 31.....   | 25          |
| 30.....   | 24          |
| 29.....   | 23          |
| 28.....   | 22          |
| 27.....   | 21          |
| 26.....   | 20          |
| 25.....   | 19          |
| 24.....   | 18          |
| 23.....   | 17          |
| 22.....   | 16          |
| 21.....   | 15          |
| 20.....   | 14          |
| 19.....   | 13          |
| 18.....   | 12          |

**Minimum ACT Scores required to apply and be admitted:**

**18 in English  
19 in Math (< 22 requires a Math Lab)  
20 in Reading**

**Minimum scores established by the Council for Post-Secondary Education**





## Application Scoring Criteria

continued

| Student Attendance % | Point Value |
|----------------------|-------------|
|----------------------|-------------|

|                |    |
|----------------|----|
| 100 %.....     | 15 |
| 98 to 99%..... | 10 |
| 95 to 97%..... | 5  |

**\*Minimum of 95% attendance required to apply and be admitted**

**\*Attendance will be calculated from 8th grade until submission of the application**

| Co/Extra-Curricular Activities | # Activities   | Point Value |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| Middle & High School           | 3 or more..... | 5           |
|                                | 2.....         | 3           |
|                                | 1.....         | 2           |
|                                | 0.....         | 0           |

| Community Service    | # Hours         | Point Value |
|----------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Middle & High School | 24 or more..... | 3           |
|                      | 16 - 23.....    | 2           |
|                      | 1 - 15.....     | 1           |
|                      | 0.....          | 0           |

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| Honors and Awards    | # Honors and Awards | Point Value |
|----------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| Middle & High School | 5 or more.....      | 2           |
|                      | 1 to 4.....         | 1           |
|                      | 0.....              | 0           |

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|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| <b>Household Income</b>                          |                     |
| Eligible for free or reduced priced meals        | If YES.....5 points |
| <b>1st Generation College limited to parents</b> | If YES.....5 points |

# Guidance Counselor Cover Sheet

Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK ONE: Sophomore ☐ Junior ☐

C - Completed      IP - In Progress

\_\_\_\_\_ English I      GPA \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ English II      **Minumum 3.0 GPA required**

\_\_\_\_\_ Algebra I      Date Taken

\_\_\_\_\_ Algebra II      Highest ACT Composite \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Geometry      Highest ACT English \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Social Studies      Highest ACT Math \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ US History      Highest ACT Reading \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

**Student must meet CPE benchmarks to apply and be accepted:**

**English - 18, Math - 19, Reading - 20**

\_\_\_\_\_ Integrated Science

\_\_\_\_\_ Biology      Attendance (8th grade) \_\_\_\_\_ %

\_\_\_\_\_ Health      Attendance (9th grade) \_\_\_\_\_ %

\_\_\_\_\_ PE      Attendance (10th grade) \_\_\_\_\_ %

\_\_\_\_\_ Foreign Language I      Attendance (11th grade) \_\_\_\_\_ %

\_\_\_\_\_ Foreign Language II      Average Attendance: \_\_\_\_\_ %

**Minimum Average Attendance of 95% to apply**

Free / Reduced Lunch YES ☐ NO ☐

1st Generation College YES ☐ NO ☐

**Guidance Counselor Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_





# FCECA Application

To be completed by  
**SCHOOL GUIDANCE COUNSELOR & ADMINISTRATOR**

Include Attachments:

- Guidance Counselor Cover Sheet
- Official copy of applicant's high school transcripts.
- Copies of ACT student test report.
- Copies of applicant's attendance reports for 8th through present grade.
- Copy of current schedule

| ACT Composite | Date Taken | English | Math | Reading |
|---------------|------------|---------|------|---------|
|               |            |         |      |         |
|               |            |         |      |         |
|               |            |         |      |         |

Please verify the following statements:

To the best of my knowledge, this applicant meets eligibility requirements for free and reduced priced meals.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

To the best of my knowledge, this applicant is a 1st Generation college student.

("Yes" means that the applicant's parents have not or are not attending any college or university)

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

This applicant has had no disciplinary referrals deemed serious enough to disqualify them from the Academy.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, they have \_\_\_\_\_ No, they have NOT

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of School Guidance Counselor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of School Administrator

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



**Floyd County Schools**  
**Floyd County Early College Academy**  
**Application for Admission**

**Student Contact Information:** (Please type)

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle Initial

School Currently Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Current Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip

Student Telephone #'s: (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Cell

Student's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parents / Legal Guardians Contact Information:**

Father/Legal Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip

Telephone #'s: (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_\_ (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Cell Work

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother/Legal Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip

Telephone #'s: (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_\_ (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Cell Work

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

If accepted, this student will be transported to and from the Academy by the following method:

\_\_\_\_\_ School Bus \_\_\_\_\_ Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Student Driver





## FCECA Application

### Continued

**Co/Extra-curricular Activities:** List the extra-curricular activities in which you are or have participated in 8th through present grade.

| Activity | School Grade |
|----------|--------------|
| 1.       |              |
| 2.       |              |
| 3.       |              |
| 4.       |              |
| 5.       |              |

**Community Service:** List any volunteer community service in 8th through present grade with the amount of time for each service event.

| Activity | Time<br>(example: 15 hrs) | Frequency<br>(example: weekly) | Length of Time<br>(example: 1 year) |
|----------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1.       |                           |                                |                                     |
| 2.       |                           |                                |                                     |
| 3.       |                           |                                |                                     |
| 4.       |                           |                                |                                     |
| 5.       |                           |                                |                                     |

**Honors and Awards:** List honors or awards received in 8th through present grade.

| Honor or Award | Grade | Individual or Group Award |
|----------------|-------|---------------------------|
| 1.             |       |                           |
| 2.             |       |                           |
| 3.             |       |                           |
| 4.             |       |                           |
| 5.             |       |                           |
| 6.             |       |                           |
| 7.             |       |                           |
| 8.             |       |                           |



## FCECA

### Student / Parent Contract

#### Academic Standards

1. Students shall be required to maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 each semester or they will be placed on probation for the following semester.
2. Any student receiving a grade lower than a "C" in any individual class will be placed on academic probation regardless of cumulative GPA.
3. A second academic probation shall result in dismissal from the Academy.

#### Academic Probation

1. An assistance conference will be held for any student who does not maintain the required GPA. The staff of the Academy, the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the students will be required to attend.
2. An academic improvement plan designed to assist the student in improving his or her grade point average will be developed, implemented and monitored during the probationary period.
3. Failure to comply with the academic improvement plan will result in removal from the Academy.
4. Any second semester senior on academic probation and whose GPA is less than the required minimum for the second semester will not receive the Academy seal on his or her high school graduation diploma.

#### Disciplinary Probation and Removal from the Academy

1. Any student receiving a disciplinary referral may be removed from the academy.
2. Any student will be removed from the Academy for:
  - (A) Skipping class
  - (B) A single sufficiently serious behavior issue
  - (C) Failure to maintain 95% attendance
  - (D) Tardies in excess of 4 per semester
  - (E) Academic bankruptcy
  - (F) Failure to give a "Good Faith Effort" in all academic endeavors.
3. Any student deemed truant by the Floyd County Schools Student Handbook will be removed from the Academy.

#### Students Returning to High School

If a student returns to high school prior to the end of the semester, the student/parent or guardian will be responsible for reimbursement to the Floyd County Board of Education for tuition, books, and any other fees associated with the student's withdrawal from the academy. The student/parent is also responsible for any damages or fees related to books or materials not returned in acceptable condition.

Recognizing that enrollment and attendance in the Academy is a privilege and not a right, we, the undersigned, have read, fully understand, support and agree that the expectations set forth in this document serve as the requirements for participating in FCECA.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date





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**CONSENT FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION**

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

To Whom It May Concern:

As parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ whose birthday is  
Complete Name (First, Middle, Last)

\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_, I authorize and approve the release of information concerning my child from and  
between the following schools:

**Floyd County Schools**  
**Big Sandy Community and Technical College**

This information shall specifically include:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Medical records as are necessary for admission and student welfare;
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative records, including attendance records, grades, and other appropriate information as deemed applicable for educational purposes.

My signature below constitutes notice to me that this information will be disclosed only to school personnel who have a legitimate educational interest in my child. I understand that I may inspect this information and/or the records if I so choose.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

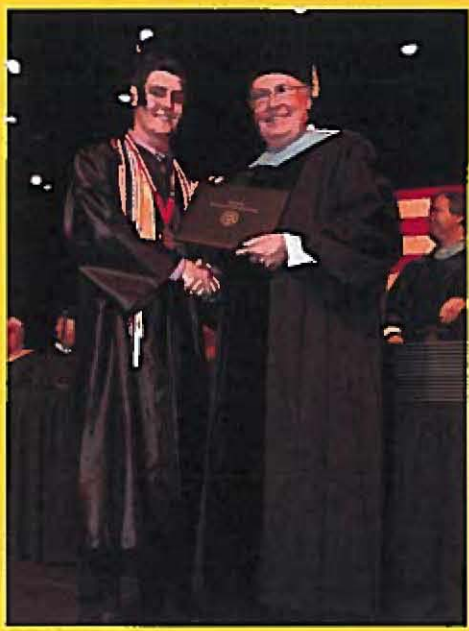
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



## Frequently Asked Questions

1. Which ACT score will be used? *The highest ACT score from the applicant will be used for scoring purposes by the admissions committee.*
2. May students of the Academy leave campus during the school day? *Procedures will be the same as those currently in place at Floyd County high schools.*
3. What activities are considered co/extra-curricular? *Any activities established by the council of the student's home school.*
4. How will community service be defined for Academy admission? *For purposes of scoring applications to the Academy, community service will be defined as volunteerism that benefits the community at large.*
5. If I transfer to Floyd County Schools, will I be eligible to apply to the Academy? *Yes; provided that all admission criteria is met.*
6. May an Academy student ride to and from school with another student? *Transportation of students not transported by FCS buses is the sole responsibility of the parent(s)/guardian.*
7. Are there any expenses to the Academy? *Tuition, books, laptops, transportation, breakfast, and lunch are provided for all academy students.*
8. Who will be teaching the classes at the Academy? *Classes are taught by faculty members of BSCTC.*
9. Will the Academy have a graduation ceremony? *Academy students will participate in graduation ceremonies at their home school. Seniors receiving an Associate Degree will also be invited to participate in the BSCTC commencement.*
10. May I attend events at my home school that occur during the school day? *With the exception of Fridays, generally speaking, attendance by Academy students at home school events during the regular school day will not be possible given issues relating to transportation and attendance.*
11. May the mobile technology devices used at the Academy be taken home by students? *Yes; as long as the standards for acceptable use are followed.*



### **Additional Opportunities of the Academy**

- ◆ Upon meeting requirements, one Placement will be reserved for an Academy student in the University of Pikeville School of Osteopathic Medicine.
- ◆ Academy Students who become certified teachers in the areas of **Math, Science, Foreign Language, and Special Education/Moderate & Severe Disabilities** and are hired to teach in Floyd County Schools will be reimbursed for tuition costs up to \$3000 per year for five years.
- ◆ Each year our goal is to take Academy students on public and private college and university campus visits.



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