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Consent Agenda Item (Action Item): Revision for the 2022-2023 FCECA Handbook

Applicable State or Regulations: 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 changes include updates to the handbook committee, scoring criteria, application deadline, enrollment, student picture, transportation, etc.

Recommended Action: Approve as recommended.

Contact Person(s): Wes Halbert, Principal FCECA

Date: June 7, 2022

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2022-2023

Early College Academy Handbook



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Vision

Building A Better Future for Every Child Every Day

By

Ensuring All Students Are College and Career Ready

Floyd County Early College Academy (*FCECA)*



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.

Superintendent's Message

In Floyd County Schools, we believe ***in providing amazing opportunities for all students and that is why we are excited about this terrific program.*** 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 at the 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 school counselor or Leslie Fannin, District Counselor. Mrs. Fannin can be reached via email at leslie.ousley@floyd.kyschools.us. Please contact us anytime, we love talking about the Floyd County Early College Academy.

Anna Shepherd

Superintendent, Floyd County Schools

2022-2023 FCECA HANDBOOK COMMITTEE

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General Information

Mailing Address: Floyd County Schools
442 Ky RT 550
Eastern, KY 41622

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

Phone: 606-889-4836
8:00 AM – 3:05 PM

Policies & Procedures
Academy students will be subject to all 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's discretion students may attend classes. ~~(No buses will run)~~. No buses will run on any day that FCS are not in session.

Transportation
Academy students will be subject to all 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 activities 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 Science

8th Grade: Algebra

9th Grade: Geometry, English I, Sci./FCSI, Social Studies, Foreign Language, Health/PE

10th Grade: Science, Soc. Stu./FCSI, Algebra II, English II, For. Lang./FCSI

11th Grade				12th Grade			
Fall Semester	Hrs	Spring Semester	Hrs	Fall Semester	Hrs	Spring Semester	Hrs
ENG 101	3	ENG 102	3	CHE 170 (Chemistry) & CHE 175 (lab)	5	CHE 180 (Chemistry) & CHE 185 (lab)	5
HIS 109	3	SOC 101 (Sociology)	3	PHY201 (Physics) & PHY 202 (lab)	5	PHY 203 (Physics) & PHY 204 (lab)	5
BIO 150 & BIO 151 (lab)	4	BIO 152 & BIO 153 (lab)	4	MAT 175 (Calculus I)	5	MAT 185 (Calculus II)	5
BIO 137 (Human Anatomy & Physiology)	4	BIO 139 (Human Anatomy & Physiology)	4	SOC 152 (Sociology) or PSY 110 (Psychology)	3	STA 220 (Statistics)	3
COM 181 (Basic Public Speaking)	3	CIT 105 (Intro to Computers)	3	ART 100	3	COM 252 (Interpersonal communications) or COM 254 (Intercultural Communications)	3
FYE 105 (Achieving Academic Success)	3	MAT 155 (Trigonometry)	3				
MAT 150 (College Algebra)	3						

Required High School Courses and Sample Course Sequence for High School Graduation and Associate Degree in Arts

8th Grade: Algebra

9th Grade: Geometry, English I, Sci./FCSI, Social Studies, Foreign Language, Health/PE

10th Grade: Science, Soc. Stu./FCSI, Algebra II, English II, For. Lang./FCSI

11th Grade				12th Grade			
Fall Semester	Hrs	Spring Semester	Hrs	Fall Semester	Hrs	Spring Semester	Hrs
ENG 101	3	ENG 102	3	ENG 161 (Literature)	3	STA 220 (Statistics)	3
HIS 109	3	SOC 101 (Sociology)	3	PSY 223 (Developmental Psychology)	3	HIS 240 (History of KY)	3
BIO 112 & 113 (lab) Or BIO 120 (Human Ecology)	4	BIO 130 (Human Biology)	3	HUM 202 (Appalachian Studies)	3	SOC 235 (Inequality to Society)	3
	3	ART 100	3	COM 181 (Basic Public Speaking)	3	REL 130 (Religion)	3
MAT 150 (College Algebra)	3	CIT 105 (Intro to Computers)	3	PHIL 100 (Philosophy)	3	COM 252 (Interpersonal communications) or COM 254 (Intercultural Communications	3
FYE 105 (Achieving Academic Success)	3	PSY 110 (Psychology)	3				

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.

Completed applications are due to your high school counselor by the close of business on the ~~3rd Monday of January~~ last day of February to be considered for priority placement. Applications submitted between the ~~3rd Monday of January~~ last day of February and the last day of ~~February~~ April will be considered based on available spaces in the Academy. 12 students will be accepted to the Academy each calendar year. (Academy enrollment is subject to fluctuation pending changes in funding and or ties in scoring).

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~~ **12**
Extra-Curricular Activities	~~5~~ **3**
Community Service	**3**
Honors & Awards	**2**
Household Income	~~5~~ **3**
1st Generation College	~~5~~ **3**
Enrollment History	**9**
Total	**100**

Floyd County
Early College Academy
Application Scoring Criteria

Grade Point Average

GPA	Point Value
4.00	35
3.8 - 3.99	32
3.6 - 3.79	29
3.5 - 3.59	26

Minimum GPA of 3.5 required for admission

ACT Composite

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

All applicants must have a Composite ACT score. Students may utilize, KYOTE and TABE (must be taken at BSCTC) to supplement ACT scores if needed. Student is responsible for contacting BSCTC Testing Center to schedule KYOTE and/or TABE.
Minimum scores required to apply and be admitted:

English 18 on ACT or ~~12.9~~ 750 on TABE

Math 22 on ACT or 14 on KYOTE Algebra

Reading 20 on ACT or 20 on KYOTE

Minimum scores established by the Council for Post-Secondary Education and BSCTC.

Attendance

Student Attendance %	Point Value
100%	~~15~~ 12
98 to 99%	~~10~~ 8
95 to 97%	~~5~~ 4

*Minimum of 95% attendance required to apply and be admitted
*Attendance will be calculated from 8th grade until submission of the application

Enrollment in Floyd County Schools

Enrollment	Point Value
K – Present	9
6 – Present	6
9 – Present	3

Co/Extra-Curricular Activities (Middle & High School)

# of Activities	Point Value
3 or more	~~5~~ 3
2	~~3~~ 2
1	~~2~~ 1
0	0

Community Service (Middle & High School)

#Hours	Point Value
24 or more	3
16-23	2
1-15	1
0	0

Honors and Awards (Middle & High School)

#Honors & Awards	Point Value
5 or more	2
1 to 4	1
0	0

Household Income (Eligible for free or reduced priced meals)

Yes/No	Point Value
Yes	~~5~~ 3

1st Generation College

Yes/No	Point Value
Yes	~~5~~ 3

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

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FCECA APPLICATION (Continued)

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

Activity	School Grade

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

Activity	Time (example; 15 hrs)	Frequency (example: Weekly	Length of Time (example: 1 year)

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

Honor or Award	Grade	Individual or Group Award

School Counselor Cover Sheet

Student Name _____

School _____

Check One: So ☐ Jr ☐

C – Completed
IP - In Progress

GPA
(Minimum 3.5 required) _____

_____ **English I**

_____ **English II**

_____ **Algebra I**

_____ **Algebra II**

_____ **Geometry**

_____ **Social Studies**

_____ **Soc. Stu. or FCSI**

_____ **Science**

_____ **Sci. or FCSI**

_____ **Health**

_____ **PE**

_____ **Foreign Language I**

_____ **For. Lang. or FCSI**

Student must meet CPE benchmark to apply. Minimum scores listed below.

		Date
Highest ACT Composite	_____	_____
Highest English *(18 ACT or ~~12.9~~ 750 TABE)*	_____	_____
Highest Math *(22 ACT or 14 KYOTE KALG)*	_____	_____
Highest Reading *(20 ACT or 20 KYOTE)*	_____	_____

Minimum Average Attendance of 95% to apply.

Attendance (8th Grade)	_____	**%**
Attendance (9th Grade)	_____	**%**
Attendance (10th Grade)	_____	**%**
Attendance (11th Grade)	_____	**%**

	Yes	No
Free / Reduced Lunch	☐	☐
1st Generation College	☐	☐

To be completed by School Counselor & Administrator

Include Attachments:

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

Test Taken	Date Taken	English	Math	Reading
ACT				
KYOTE				
TABE				

Please verify the following statement:

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 the applicant's parents have not or are not attending any college or university)

_____ Yes _____ No

This applicant has disciplinary referrals deemed serious enough to disqualify them from the academy.

_____ Yes _____ No

_____ _____

(School Counselor Signature) Date

_____ _____

(Administrator Signature) Date

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.
4. Students shall meet BSCTC definition of "full time" student.

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.

FCECA Student / Parent Contract (Continued)

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

CONSENT FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

Date: ___/___/___

To Whom It May Concern:

As parent/guardian of _____

whose birthday _____/_____/_____, I authorize and approve the release of information concerning my child from and between the following schools: Floyd County Schools and Big Sandy Community 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: _____

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Frequently Asked Questions

1. Which score will be used? ***The highest ACT/KYOTE/TABE 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 are 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.***