

ACADEMIES @ ENGLEWOOD

Frequently Asked General Questions – Class of 2016

1. How many students do you plan to take for the Class of 2016?

Between 125 and 140, half of whom will be from Englewood; the other half from out-of-Englewood.

2. How many specialized programs do you plan to offer next year in the Academies @ Englewood?

Five (5) Biomedicine, Finance, Pre-Engineering, Information Technology, and Law & Public Safety.

3. How much homework do Academy students typically get?

The amount of work a student does at home varies enormously. Students typically tell us that their out-of-class workload comes to between 10 and 25 hours per week.

4. Can Academy students participate in sports?

Yes. Academies @ Englewood students are eligible to participate on Dwight Morrow High School teams.

5. Can students enter into the Academy program(s) after the freshman year?

No. The nature of our programs does not allow such a transfer.

6. Does the long day cause any problem with students' religious observances?

No. Accommodations are made per parent request regarding same. The school day is 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

7. How involved are Academy parents in the life of the school?

Very involved. We are partners with our parents in all facets of school life and have been most successful because of continual parental volunteer contributions and support. We expect all parents to join our PPA every year.

8. Where do students eat lunch?

Students may eat in either of the two cafeterias but may not leave the campus during lunch.

9. When is the application deadline?

Thursday, January 20, 2012

10. What extra-curricular activities are offered?

A wide variety. Please see the accompanying club listings.

11. How sophisticated are your music and art programs?

Very sophisticated. Our students are exposed to a broad array of music and fine art electives.

12. How many days do students attend school?

Approximately 180 days. Classes begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 4:00 p.m. daily. Half-day calendar dates, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., are sent to parents at the beginning of each school year.

13. How are mathematics and language placements made?

Upon acceptance into the academies, all incoming students take a placement test in these disciplines. The results of these tests provide guidance for proper math and world language placement.

14. Can students change academies?

No. Once a student is enrolled in an Academy and begins classes in a particular program, no transfers are permitted. This practice is applicable to all students. However, Academy students are encouraged to take specialized electives in all five programs when enrollment numbers permit.

15. How do students schedule electives?

Electives are typically scheduled electronically at the beginning of each semester.

16. Do Academies @ Englewood students interact with students from DMHS?

The Scope & Sequence as noted in the Academy classes differ from Dwight Morrow High School students. Synergies may be found in art, music & specialized electives, as well as in AP/Honors courses.

17. Can a student leave the Academy anytime during the year?

The Interdistrict High School Choice Program has specific guidelines which includes notification from the sending district to the receiving district regarding student attendance. Students accepted from outside of Englewood for the Class of 2016, therefore, must enroll for the minimum of one year.