



**School Relevancy Workgroup
of the Education, Truancy, Dropout & Literacy Subcommittee
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This packet contains handouts that were distributed at the School Relevancy Workgroup of the Education, Truancy, Dropout & Literacy Subcommittee meeting on February 11, 2008 and includes the following items:

- Handout about DCPS Career Academies
- Handout about expanded alternative learning centers (DCPS)

DCPS Career Academies

- Twenty-three existing Career Academies in 15 of the 19 DCPS High Schools:
 - Seventeen existing Career Academies recognized as "high skill, high wage, high demand/targeted occupation"
 - Six new academies began this '07-08 school year; all recognized as "high skill, high wage, high demand/targeted occupation"
 - Three new academies entered "year of planning" August 2007 = high skill, high wage, high demand/targeted occupation"

Definition of a Career Academy: "Small learning communities, career focused and academically challenging, that prepares students equally for college and for the workforce."

Further descriptors to include:

- Worksite experiences, industry certifications, internships and mentorship;
- Articulation agreement with two/four year colleges/ meets college entrance requirements;
- Advisory boards comprised of employees, higher education, community and industry experts;
- Rigorous, relevant curriculum with meaningful relationships with caring adults;
- Academics include English, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies.

Established Career Academies

Andrew Jackson – Health Academy *

Number of students in Career Academy: 398

Number of Graduates with a "diploma": 190 (this data is for all school CTE programs)

Number of Graduates with a "certificate of completion": 60

William M. Raines – Information Technology (IT) Academy *

Number of students in Career Academy: 132

Number of Graduates with a "diploma": 33

Number of Graduates with a "certificate of completion": 5

Samuel W. Wolfson – Academy of Finance *

Number of students in Career Academy: 169

Number of Graduates with a "diploma": 95

Number of Graduates with a "certificate of completion": 0

Englewood – Construction (BEAM = Building, Engineering, And Manufacturing) *

Number of students in Career Academy: 25

Number of Graduates with a "diploma": 30

Number of Graduates with a "certificate of completion": 0

Robert. E. Lee – Engineering Academy*

Number of students in Career Academy: 49

Number of Graduates with a “diploma”: 0 (only 9th & 10th graders enrolled)

Number of Graduates with a “certificate of completion”: 0 (only 9th & 10th graders enrolled)

Terry Parker – International Business Academy *

Number of students in Career Academy: 130

-Pathways

International Business 30

Hospitality & Tourism 30

Culinary Operations^{1,2} 70

Number of Graduates with a “diploma”: 12

Number of Graduates with a “certificate of completion”: 0

Frank H. Peterson Academies of Technology

Number of students in Career Academy:

- Aviation * 113
- Automotive * 250
- Communications Technology 301
- Child Care 108
- Culinary 213
- Cosmetology 139

Number of Graduates from your programs with a “diploma”: 247

Number of Graduates from your programs with a “certificate of completion”: 0

A Philip Randolph Academies of Technology

Number of students in Career Academy:

- Construction * 113
- Health * 304
- Information Technology * 218
- Public Safety 59 (Criminal Justice-40, Fire/Rescue-19)
- Cosmetology 110

Number of Graduates from your programs with a “diploma”: 110

Number of Graduates from your programs with a “certificate of completion”: 22

New Career Academies (2007-2008)

Sandalwood – Academy of Information Technology *

Number of students in Career Academy: 61 (only 9th and 10th graders enrolled)

Number of Graduates with a “diploma”: 0

Number of Graduates with a “certificate of completion”: 0

Forrest – Education and Training Services Academy *

Number of students in Career Academy: 23

Number of Graduates with a "diploma": 0 (only 9th graders enrolled)

Number of Graduates with a "certificate of completion": 0 (only 9th graders enrolled)

Ed White – Business and Entrepreneurship Academy *

Number of students in Career Academy: 38

Number of Graduates with a "diploma": 0 (only 10th graders enrolled)

Number of Graduates with a "certificate of completion" 0 (only 10th graders enrolled)

First Coast – International Trade/Logistics *

Number of students in Career Academy: 80

Number of Graduates with a "diploma": 24

Number of Graduates with a "certificate of completion" 0

Terry Parker – Coastal and Environmental Studies *

Number of students enrolled in ACES Career Academy: 25 (all in 10th grade)

Number of Graduates with a "diploma": NA

Number of Graduates with a "certificate of completion": NA

A. Philip Randolph – Fire and Rescue Academy *

** = high skill, high wage, high demand/targeted occupation*

Number of students enrolled in Career Academy: 19

Number of Graduates with a "diploma": NA

Number of Graduates with a "certificate of completion": NA

Academies Entering Year Of Planning 2007- 2008

Baldwin – Education

Fletcher – Hospitality/Travel/Tourism

Mandarin – Health / Medical

Expanded Alternative Learning Centers

The Duval County Public Schools is committed to eliminating the achievement gap and providing opportunities for all students to be college and work ready. We want to develop a program that can provide another opportunity for students to meet with success and serve as a different type of school for overage, truant, and behaviorally or academically struggling students.

The expanded Alternative Learning Centers will be implemented in 14 comprehensive high schools geographically located throughout the district. The program will operate in the evening from 4 pm until 7 pm and will focus on students recovering credits and earning initial credits in order to earn a standard diploma or a GED. The students will work on compass odyssey, computer based instructional software, while being supported by a certified classroom teacher. Additional support will be provided to students through pre assessments designed to identify their specific comprehension and skill level, academic and career counseling to determine future interests, and life skills training.

The program will be rolled out in two phases. **Phase I** will begin in 8 schools (**See Appendix A**). Schools will be selected based on their geographical location, proximity to public transportation, and must have two computer labs on campus. **Phase II** will encompass the remaining comprehensive schools and will begin in January 2009. The second phase will include the remaining comprehensive high schools.

Total cost for **Phase I** of this program will be approximately **267K**. The cost includes the salary and benefits of 16 teachers (two per school). Total cost

of implementation for both **Phase I & Phase II will be 534K**. Additionally, assistant principals can be selected to operate these centers to provide administrative support.

Appendix A

School Name	Board Member	School #	Students w/ 20+ Abs	State Letter Grade 07	Code of Conduct Violations Duplicated	City Bus Routes
Jackson, Andrew	Jackson	35	497	F	5769	"1"6
Ribault H	Jackson	96	124	F	2384	N6
Raines, William	Burney	165	340	F	4637	K1, WS12, M4
Forrest, Nathan B.	Drake	241	314	F	8876	P4
Lee, Robert E.	Hazouri	33	243	D	3300	R5, WS1, B6
Parker, Terry	Barrett	86	264	D	6913	AR3
Englewood H	Barnes	90	542	D	7084	SS5
Wolfson, Samuel W.	Barnes	224	259	D	3601	
Sandalwood	Broner	237	663	D	13684	R5 (1/2 mile)
White, Edward H.	Drake	248	414	D	3378	P7
First Coast	Drake	265	260	D	5044	
Peterson, Frank H.	Burney	280	219	D	4537	
Randolph, A. Phillip	Jackson	285	105	D	694	
Baldwin M/H	Drake	38	110	C	1073	
Fletcher H	Broner	223	278	B	4659	
Mandarin H	Hazouri	260	216	B	4922	
Paxon H	Burney	75	48	A	813	
Anderson, Douglas	Barnes	107	62	A	705	
Stanton College Prep	Jackson	153	17	A	994	
TOTAL HS			4975		83067	

Appendix B

Summary of Overage Data, 0607

School	Years Over Age					Total		
	2	3	4	5	6	Over	% Over	Enr
District ES	1599	122	12	1		1734	3%	61067
District MS	3565	1016	173	13	2	4769	17%	27839
District HS	3599	1025	194	22	6	4846	15%	33309
Districtwide	8763	2163	379	36	8	11349	9%	122215

Compiled (Dec. 2006) from Survey 2 enrollment, 0607.

Note: 1. This table is determined by students' age compared to grade level at the time of calculation. The appropriate age for grade level is determined by the required age of students beginning kindergarten.

2. These calculations do not include ESE or DJJ Centers.