



ACADEMY FOR SCIENCE AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS CLASS OF 2029 APPLICATION PACKET

Dear Parents of 8th Grade Students,

The Academy for Science & Health Professions at Conroe High School provides unique career exploration experiences coupled with technology-rich and academically challenging science, math, and health science courses of study. With a current enrollment of 400 students, the Academy begins the recruitment of its next freshman class, the Class of 2029. While the Academy program may not be right for every student, it does provide a variety of unique learning and investigative career experiences within a small, close-knit environment. Annually, students apply what they have learned in coursework to research avenues. Academy program requirements ensure a level of rigor that major colleges and scholarship programs encourage and enlist.

Extensive opportunities for specialization in math, science, and applied sciences, such as medicine, biochemistry, robotics, and computer science

encourage each student to explore and apply their intellectual talents through individual research and internship thereby promoting an enriched learning environment for students and a high school profile second to none. This application packet contains important information for every 8th grade student and their parents to review, and possibly, complete. Should you decide this program is right for your student's future educational goals and aspirations, apply now. **Completed applications are due online by February 27, 2025.** If you are seeking a small learning environment that supports advanced academic work towards a career in science, health science, math or engineering, the Academy may be the program for you. I hope you and your student will seriously consider applying to our program. I look forward to meeting you during upcoming evening Parent Information Nights. Please contact the Academy office with any additional questions you might have.

*Ms. Melanie L. Bujnoch,
Headmaster*

2024 - 2025 | 8th Grade Application

Application Process | Class of 2029

Eligibility

All students who will be in the 9th grade at Conroe HS or Caney Creek HS in August 2025 are eligible to apply for the Academy Class of 2029. All students are provided equal opportunity to enter the Academy. There is no additional cost for the Academy.

Qualifications for Consideration

An overall 80 average in junior high with an 85 average in science and math courses will be required. **Any entering Academy student must have completed Algebra I with an average of 85 for the course prior to the new school year.** All applicants must take an entry PSAT 8/9 assessment (given to all 8th graders in CISD).

- In a few instances, an applicant who may fall slightly below these qualifications may still apply and seek probationary/provisional entrance into the Academy for a preset timeframe. After which time, recommendations will be made by the Headmaster for full status or dismissal from the Academy.
- Private school/home school applicants may be asked to provide test data as part of the entry criteria.

The Conroe Independent School District (District) as an equal opportunity educational provider and employer does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, or disability in educational programs or activities that it operates or in employment matters. The District is required by Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act, as well as Board policy not to discriminate in such a manner.

For information about Title IX rights or Section 504/ADA rights, contact the Title IX Coordinator or the Section 504/ADA coordinator at 3205 W. Davis, Conroe, TX 77304; (936) 709-7752.

Application Timeline and Application Elements

Application

Due on or before Thursday • February 27, 2025

- **Application form**
- **Student letter**
 - Why he/she wants to attend the Academy
 - Special qualities the student will bring to the Academy
 - Examples of activities, such as projects, awards and other things that show interest, motivation, and commitment in math, science, healthcare, leadership, & technology
 - Future plans, career interests, college major, etc.
- **Parent letter**
 - Why the students should be selected
 - How the Academy will benefit the student
 - The willingness to provide support for the student's involvement in the Academy program
 - The commitment to reinforce the Academy program in the home
 - Interest in participation in Academy parent activities
 - Ways in which the parent's involvement will be beneficial to advancing the Academy mission & goals
- **Student Résumé**
 - Include all 7th and 8th grade academic courses
 - Extracurricular activities (*in and out of school*)
 - Leadership positions (*in and out of school*)
 - Awards (*in and out of school*)
 - Work experience
 - Community service activities (*in and out of school*)

PSAT Assessment

- Applicants should have completed a standardized 8th grade PSAT 8/9 assessment. (*All CISD 8th graders take this exam.*)
- Private school students should complete the PSAT 8/9 if other standardized scores are not available.

Applicant Interview

Dates March 18, 20, 24, and 26, 2025

- Interviews will be held at the Conroe HS cafeteria.
- At least one parent/guardian **MUST** be present; both are welcomed.
- The interview will elaborate on information in application letters and will measure the poise, communicative skills, and motivation/commitment of the student as well as the support of the parent/guardian(s) for the student and Academy program.

Note: Depending on the number of applicants, preliminary mathematical proficiency screening may be necessary to select students for the interview phase. Generally, every effort will be made to provide an interview to each and every applicant.

Discipline and Attendance Assessment

- Information as to each applicant's discipline, behavior, attendance, demeanor, interest, motivation, and level of participation will be examined.

Notification of Status

Date Friday • April 11, 2025

- All applicants/applicant parents will be notified of their selection status by email.

Invitations Returned to ASHP

Date Friday • April 25, 2025

- Applicant acceptance or declination decisions must be returned in writing to the Academy Office by the designated date. Failure to submit all forms will act as a declination of the invitation issued.

Request for Reconsideration

Date Friday • April 25, 2025

- A written request for reconsideration of a non-selection decision must be received at ASHP by the designated date. The request must include a detailed explanation of why reconsideration is justified and evidence supporting the request.

Reconsideration Decision

- Reconsideration will be completed within 7 business days. The original decision may be affirmed or reversed. If reversed, the student may be selected or placed on the alternate/wait list.

CLICK HERE to complete the ASHP application
or visit <http://tiny.conroeisd.net/PkSyA>

QUESTIONS?

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