

ACADEMY NEWS

September 2022

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Tocoi Creek



WELCOME TO TOCOI CREEK HIGH SCHOOL'S CAREER ACADEMIES

Stephanie Tavill, Career Specialist

Welcome to the first ever TCHS Academy Newsletter. Each month I will be sending out a newsletter showcasing academy highlights, upcoming events, and important reminders. This newsletter will be found in the Bullpen, on our website, and in your child's academy schoology group. I encourage parents to check-in with the academy schoology groups often as I frequently post updates.

This past month I pushed into each academy class and informed students about the value of being in an academy, including the chance to earn industry certifications, participate in summer internships, attend guest speaker events and field trips, and more! I reminded students of the academy contract terms and invited them to schedule a meeting with me if they want college or career guidance. I look forward to a great year!

-Mrs. Tavill

Upcoming Events

- Project Innovation
 - Proposal due Sept 23
- College & Career Fairs
- Interim Grade Check (Sept 13)
- Blood Drive (Sept 16)

HOW CAN PARENTS GET INVOLVED?

If you work in the field of Emerging Technologies (drones, robotics, advanced manufacturing), Construction, or Healthcare, let us know! We would love for you to join our Advisory Board, be a guest speaker, or become a potential field trip site host.

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UPCOMING EVENTS



2022-2023 PROJECT INNOVATION

Project Innovation is a SJCSD competition for St. Johns Career Academy students to promote project-based exploration of innovative concepts and their application to solve problems within our community or the world. Amplify your educational experience! Students are invited to think creatively, research a project and develop a solution that incorporates innovative ideas, practices, or designs.

ELIGIBILITY

- All competitors must be in Career Academy or CTE multi-year classes.
- Each team must consist of 3-6 students.
- Each student may participate on only one team.
- Projects must be the original work of the team members.

TEAM REGISTRATION LINK

<https://forms.office.com/r/MFTrBK7thWV>

The Project

RESEARCH ideas or processes that interest you

DETERMINE A NEED in your community (local, national, or global)

DEVELOP AN INNOVATIVE SOLUTION using concepts

CREATE A VISUAL EXPLANATION of your idea

PRESENT YOUR PROJECT in 3 - 5 minutes using presentation software

REGISTRATION

Teams will submit the Project Innovation Registration to their Academy teacher by September 23, 2022.

Approved team registrations must be submitted to Katie Maltby by September 29, 2022 via Microsoft Forms.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS & PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND



THE 15TH ANNUAL COLLEGE FAIR

ALLEN D. NEASE HIGH SCHOOL
10550 Ray Road, Ponte Vedra, FL 32081

Over
80 Colleges
& Universities
Attending

Thursday, September 8th, 2022
6pm-8pm

St. Johns County School District Presents

College & Career Night 2022

Wednesday, September 7, 2022

Breakouts: 5:00pm-7:00pm

Fair: 6:00pm-7:30pm

Location: St. Augustine High School

3205 Varella Avenue

St. Augustine, FL 32084



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BOOK A 1-1
APPOINTMENT WITH
MRS. TAVILL



DONATE BLOOD
YOU HAVE GREATER POWERS THAN YOU KNOW.

Toco Creek High School
Friday, September 16, 2022
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

REFRESHMENTS PLUS HOPE PLUS

DONORS RECEIVE

- Refreshments
- Cancer Awareness T-shirt & Socks
- \$10 Off Admission to Ancient City Con
- Wellness Checkup including blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count, and cholesterol screening.

Appointments are encouraged, please visit oneblood.org/donate-now and use sponsor code 68419

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ACADEMY OF INNOVATION IN THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Mr. Argentina is back for another year in the construction lab. In this Academy students will be working on industry certifications in AutoCAD and Revit. They will also be earning their OSHA-10 safety certification. Students are excited to continue to make their mark around campus through building projects. Read more about their projects from last year here: <https://cte.stjohns.k12.fl.us/academy-students-make-their-mark-around-tocois-campus/>

ACADEMY OF LEADERSHIP IN EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES

We are honored to welcome back Mr. Brux as the instructor in the Emerging Tech Academy. This year students in the academy will earn a drone safety certification in year one and an AutoCAD certification in year two. Students will even have the opportunity to go for more AutoDesk certifications if they want to push themselves! Mr. Brux will also be hosting a robotics club. Be on the lookout for more information about signing up!



FLAGLER HEALTH + ACADEMY OF FUTURE HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS

It is my pleasure to announce two new teachers joining the Healthcare Academy team, Ms. Nemecek and Dr. Levy. Both instructors come with a wealth of knowledge from experiences in the medical field. This year we will have our first group of students certify as EKG Technicians. Another first is the formation of a HOSA chapter, a Career and Technical Student Organization.



FOR MORE VISIT: <https://www-tchs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/academies/>

Shout-Outs

STUDENT SHOUT-OUT

Jenna Hernandez, 12th Grade

Jenna is a member of the Flagler Health + Academy of Future Healthcare Professionals. Jenna is taking full advantage of what the academy has to offer. She had a meaningful summer internship at Flagler hospital and is a member of HOSA and the OneBlood Club. She is always first to sign up for volunteering events and always goes above and beyond in the classroom.



CLUB SHOUT-OUT

Each academy at TCHS has an associated club or CTSO (Career and Technical Student Organization).

The robotics team participates in the *FIRST* Tech Challenge regional robotic competitions. Robotics club is back at it this year with both a recreational team and a competitive team. Students wanting to learn more about Robotics club should reach out to Mr. Brux, the club sponsor.

BUSINESS PARTNER SHOUT-OUT

Tocoi Creek High School business partners took home many awards at the annual Academy Awards Event held last spring. Congratulations to:

- Ed Nolan of Owen Electric, for winning Individual Business Partner of the Year
- Gene Station of STG Contracting, for winning Rookie Business Partner of the Year
- Miller Electric, for winning Outstanding Partner of the Year
- Savannah Bell of Medtronic, for winning Advisory Board Partner of the Year



Academy students must keep their Academy course semester grade at a 70% or higher. If a student's semester grade is not at least a 70%, a letter will be sent home informing the student and their parent that they are on Academy Academic Probation for the following semester. Students must earn at least a 70% or higher for the following semester to remain in the Academy. If the student earns a grade lower than a 70% for two semesters in a row, that student is released from the Career Academy and cannot re-enroll at any time. If a student needs any academic help, they can get FREE tutoring in any subject from the National Honor Society.