# Prattsburgh Central School District Introduces:



# And Collegiate Institute

Est. 1824/Re-established 2014

An opportunity to participate in an intensive career and college readiness program and earn college credit in high school.







The tradition continues

# THE FRANKLIN ACADEMY

WILL INVOLVE COMPLETING COURSEWORK IN A COMBINATION OF THREE METHODS:

- o <u>DIRECT INSTRUCTION</u> IN ACCELERATED COLLEGE EDUCATION (ACE) CLASSES TAUGHT BY PCS TEACHERS WHO ARE ALSO ADJUNCT SUNY INSTRUCTORS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY.
- o <u>ONLINE COURSES</u> TAUGHT BY SUNY INSTRUCTORS: SOME STUDENT TIME IS ASSIGNED INTO THEIR DAILY SCHOOL SCHEDULE AND SOME WORK IS COMPLETED INDEPENDENTLY (SUPPORT FROM PCS PERSONNEL).
- o <u>DISTANCE LEARNING COURSES</u> TAUGHT BY ADJUNCT SUNY INSTRUCTORS FROM OTHER SCHOOL DISTRICTS OR PCS.

# ON CAMPUS REQUIREMENT

O BUILT INTO FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE (FYEX) AND COLLEGE COMPOSITION COURSES – STUDENTS WILL PARTICIPATE IN 8 COLLEGE CAMPUS VISITS PRIOR TO GRADUATION.

## COURSE AND CREDIT REQUIREMENT

o STUDENTS WHO COMPLETE LEVEL 4 OF THE ACADEMY MUST EARN A MINIMUM OF 51 ACE OR OTHER COLLEGE CREDITS IN MATH (8),SCIENCE(8), ENGLISH(6), SOCIAL STUDIES(9), SPANISH(8), ELECTIVES(9) AND FYEX(3).

# THE ACADEMY FOUR YEAR SEQUENCE INFORMATION

- O ALL STUDENTS IN GRADE 8 AND THEIR PARENTS ARE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN AN ORIENTATION PROCESS.
- O ALL STUDENTS MAY DEVELOP THEIR FOUR YEAR HIGH SCHOOL PLAN WITH THE FRANKLIN ACADEMY IN MIND.
- o <u>LEVEL 1 ACADEMY STATUS</u>: STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE A 3 CREDIT ACE COURSE CALLED "FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE"
- O <u>LEVEL 2 ACADEMY STATUS:</u> STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE AN ADDITIONAL 6 ACE OR OTHER COLLEGE CREDITS.

(TOTAL OF 9 CREDITS)

O <u>LEVEL 3 ACADEMY STATUS:</u> STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE AN ADDITIONAL 17 ACE OR OTHER COLLEGE CREDITS.

(TOTAL OF 26 CREDITS)

- o <u>LEVEL 4 ACADEMY STATUS:</u> STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE AN ADDITIONAL 25 ACE OR OTHER COLLEGE CREDITS. ALL OF THE REQUIRED CREDITS PER SUBJECT AREA AND ELECTIVES MUST BE INCLUDED. (TOTAL OF 51 CREDITS)
- \*\*LEVEL 4 STATUS COMPLETERS WHO HAVE PAID FOR AT LEAST 51
  OF THEIR ACE CREDITS WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR A SCHOLARSHIP AT
  GRADUATION.

# Sample 4 Year Plan

Grade 9 Grade 10 Grade 11 Grade 12

Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 1	Semester 2
Health/PE	Health/PE	SH or Elective	SH or Elective	Elective	ELECTIVE	Elective	Elective
English	English	English	English	English	English	ENGLISH	ENGLISH
Social St.	Social St.	Global	Global	US HISTORY	US HISTORY	AM. GOVT.	Economics
Math	Math	Math	Math	STATS	PRE-CALC	Math	Math
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
Science/Lab	Science/Lab	Science	Science	Science	Science	BIOLOGY	SCIENCE
FYEX	FYEX	PE/Lab	PE/Lab	PE/Lab	PE/Lab	PE/Lab	PE/Lab
Spanish	Spanish	Spanish	Spanish	Spanish	Spanish	SPANISH	SPANISH
Art/Music	Art/Music	ELECTIVE	ELECTIVE	SH or Elect.	SH or Elect.	SH or Elect.	SH or Elect.

Academy Courses

# **DETAILS**

- \* COST: CURRENT ACE TUITION FOR PRATTSBURGH CSD STUDENTS IS \$18 PER COLLEGE CREDIT WHICH INCLUDES FEES AND TEXTBOOKS.
- IF STUDENTS WERE TO TAKE THESE COURSES FROM A COMMUNITY COLLEGE, THE COST WOULD BE ABOUT 10 TIMES THAT AMOUNT WHEN BOOKS AND FEES ARE INCLUDED.
- -\$18 PER CREDIT IS EXTREMELY AFFORDABLE! IMAGINE PAYING \$900 FOR 50 COLLEGE CREDITS WITH NO COST FOR TRANSPORTATION, BOOKS, OR OTHER COLLEGE FEES.
- \* <u>SCHOLARSHIP</u>: STUDENTS WHO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE LEVEL 4 WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR A SCHOLARSHIP AT GRADUATION. THIS COULD DROP THE NET PRICE TO \$12 PER CREDIT. (Note: credits must be paid for ).
- \* <u>BILLING</u>: STUDENTS ARE BILLED AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH YEAR FOR THE NUMBER OF CREDITS THEY TAKE. THE STUDENTS PAY PCS AND PCS PAYS SUNY CCC.
- \* TUITION: PAYMENT IS DUE IN MID-OCTOBER. STUDENTS CAN DROP THE COLLEGE PORTION OF THE COURSE UNTIL MID-NOVEMBER. STUDENTS WHO DO NOT OPT TO PAY TUITION WILL RECEIVE PCS CREDIT AND REMAIN IN THE COURSE UNTIL ITS COMPLETION.

# Franklin Academy Scholarship Sponsors:

















QUESTION: I WANT TO TAKE CLASSES IN THE ACADEMY BUT I DO NOT THINK I WANT TO TAKE ALL
OF THE COURSES REQUIRED TO EARN THE ACADEMY LEVEL 4 DIPLOMA. IS THIS POSSIBLE?

ANSWER: YES. MANY STUDENTS WILL ONLY TAKE A PORTION OF THE COURSES OFFERED FOR THE ACADEMY LEVEL 4 DIPLOMA. AS WITH ALL COURSES, THE DECISION TO TAKE A COURSE IS A JOINT ONE THAT INCLUDES INPUT FROM THE FACULTY, THE SCHOOL COUNSELOR, THE PRINCIPAL, THE STUDENT AND HIS/HER FAMILY.

QUESTION: WHO PAYS FOR THE BOOKS?

ANSWER: PCS PAYS FOR TEXTBOOKS. FOR ALL FRANKLIN ADADEMY CLASSES IN WHICH STUDENTS ALSO RECEIVE LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT.

QUESTION: WILL PARTICIPATING IN THE ACADEMY HELP MY CHANCES FOR COLLEGE ADMISSION?

ANSWER: PCS WILL PROMOTE ACADEMY GRADUATES AS STUDENTS WHO HAVE COMPLETED A VERY RIGOROUS ACADEMIC HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM THAT GOES FAR BEYOND THE EXPECTATIONS FOR A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA AND IS DESIGNED TO FULLY PREPARE STUDENTS FOR THE ACADEMIC AND SOCIAL ASPECTS OF COLLEGE. IT IS OUR HOPE THAT COLLEGES WILL RECOGNIZE THE ACCOMPLISHMENT AND LOOK FAVORABLY UPON THE STUDENTS AND THEIR APPLICATIONS FOR COLLEGE ADMISSION AND SCHOLARSHIP.

QUESTION: COULD A STUDENT TAKE A COURSE DIRECTLY FROM SUNY CCC ANOTHER COLLEGE?

ANSWER: YES. AND IT COULD COUNT TOWARD THE ACADEMY DIPLOMA. HOWEVER, <u>NON-ACE</u>
<u>COURSES DO NOT QUALIFY FOR THE \$18 DOLLAR PER CREDIT TUITION RATE AND PCS CANNOT SUPPLY THE TEXTBOOKS.</u>

QUESTION: HOW WILL HAVING AS MANY SUNY CREDITS AS POSSIBLE HELP ME?

### ANSWERS

- \* TAKING SUNY COURSES IN HIGH SCHOOL <u>MAY HELP YOU KNOW WHAT YOU WANT TO STUDY AFTER HIGH SCHOOL.</u>
- \* SUNY 4 YEAR COLLEGES HAVE AN AGREEMENT WITH ALL SUNY ACCREDITED SCHOOLS THAT THEY WILL APPLY ALL OF THE COURSES TAKEN THROUGH SUNY COLLEGES TO THEIR SCHOOL.
- \* STUDENTS WILL BE MARKETABLE FOR JOBS RIGHT OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL INCLUDING PART TIME JOBS WHILE CONTINUING ON AT FOUR YEAR COLLEGES.
- \* THE <u>COST SAVINGS OF SHORTENING UP THE COLLEGE EXPERIENCE</u> OR BEING <u>ABLE TO RECEIVE</u>
  <u>AN ASSOCIATES DEGREE IN A YEAR</u> OR LESS AND A BACHELORS DEGREE IN THREE YEARS AFTER
  HIGH SCHOOL CAN <u>SAVE THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS.</u>
- \* SOME STUDENTS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO <u>DOUBLE MAJOR</u> AT A FOUR YEAR COLLEGE BECAUSE OF THE CREDITS THEY WILL TRANSFER.
- \* 4 YEAR COLLEGES WILL BE QUITE IMPRESSED WITH STUDENTS WHO WILL HAVE ALREADY COM-PLETED THE RIGOROUS COURSEWORK REQUIRED TO BE AN ACADEMY GRADUATE.
- \* THE CHALLENGE OF ACCOMPLISHING THE GOAL OF AN ACADEMY DIPLOMA WILL PREPARE STUDENTS FOR THE MOST DIFFICULT CHALLENGES THEY WILL ALL FACE IN COLLEGE.
- \* SOME STUDENTS WHO NEED TO WORK DURING COLLEGE MAY BE ABLE TO TAKE LESS CREDITS
  PER SEMESTER AND STILL GRADUATE ON TIME.



According to Prattsburgh history records there were four schools established before 1812. The largest was located next to the church in the present location of Franklin Academy and Prattsburgh Central School. The largest Franklin Academy contributor was Robert Porter, who was the first president of the Board of Trustees, a graduate of Yale and head of what is now Hamilton College before coming to Prattsburgh. By 1924 the people of Prattsburgh funded a school house in the amount of \$2,000 and had a budget of about \$4,000 for maintenance and support. It was a two story high structure and some of the rooms were used for boarding students who attended the academy.

School records indicate that the first Regents charter was given by the State of New York on February 23, 1824. Its original name was Franklin Academy and Collegiate Institute. Through the efforts of Robert Porter, and Dr. Niles, a minister, Franklin Academy was offering two years of college by 1928. The Reverend William Beardsley was the first principal and training was largely for the ministry. An interesting note "In 1827 the fortune of this institution was deemed adequate, and its future success seemed to demand a separate female department. That year witnessed this beneficial change."

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# What others are saying:

"ACE classes are a good step between high school and college classes, it prepares you for your new expectations and makes the transition easier". – Allison G. – current student

"ACE really helped me save money and time by receiving a whole year's worth of college credits in high school." – Nate U. – PCS Graduate

"My ACE classes boosted my confidence in my ability to succeed in all college coursework." – Sariah A. – PCS Graduate

"The cost savings is significant, especially since they don't have to pay for any books or materials required for the course. It is a great way to 'challenge' their minds, rather than taking the 'easy road'". – Amy S. – PCS Parent