



The Academies of Lexington

FREDERICK DOUGLASS HIGH SCHOOL

EXPLORE YOUR **WORLD.**
FIND YOUR **FUTURE.**



WELCOME CLASS OF 2022 TO THE FRESHMAN ACADEMY

AT FREDERICK DOUGLASS HIGH SCHOOL

As a 9th grade student, you will begin your educational experience in a Freshman Academy to promote an exciting and positive transition from middle school to high school.

FRESHMAN ACADEMY



You will be a member of a small learning community with a dedicated principal, counselor and core group of teachers and peers.



Engage in team-based activities, develop your leadership skills, identify and grow your strengths, and discover new interests.



Learn essential skills through hands-on projects and workshops.

HIGHLIGHTS

- » Small learning community: small teams of students and teachers offer a personalized learning experience
- » Core Classes: English, Math, Science, plus electives and Freshman Seminar
- » Exposure to career options
- » Career Expo: an interactive career exploration event
- » Field trip to college campus
- » Guest speakers
- » Workshops that introduce extra-curricular, co-curricular, sports and other school sponsored activities

FRESHMAN ACADEMY TEAM

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SCHEDULE

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ALL YEAR FRESHMAN SEMINAR COURSE

All freshmen will take the Freshman Seminar course. Along with career exploration and development, this one-year course teaches essential success skills such as how to take initiative and responsibility, effective teamwork and communication, critical thinking and problem-solving. This course will help you make an informed decision as to which academy you will enroll in your sophomore through senior year (see chart below), and what personal, collegiate and professional journey you would like to embark on after high school. Freshman Academy helps you explore your world and find your future.



FALL SEMESTER

Held in the beginning of your first semester, the **Commitment to Graduation Ceremony** is a time when you will make a pledge to yourself, your classmates, and your families, that you will work hard to complete high school in four years.

Later in the fall, the **Academies of Lexington Career Expo** offers you the opportunity to meet local business professionals, experience hands-on demonstrations, and learn more about your future career options.

At the end of the semester, you will visit the Academies at your school and choose which Academy best meets your interests. This will be your Academy sophomore through senior year.



SPRING SEMESTER

Each Spring, Freshman Academy students are given a unique opportunity to visit the campus of one of our college partners. While you are there, you will tour the campus, talk with college students and experience a little of campus life.

FREDERICK DOUGLASS ACADEMIES (10th - 12th GRADES)

	ACADEMIES	THE ACADEMY OF TECHNOLOGY	THE ACADEMY OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	THE ACADEMY OF HEALTH SCIENCES			
RELATED CAREERS		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Computer Programmer Game Designer Computer Animator Network Administrator Film Editor Photographer Cyber Security Engineer Logistics Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Software / Hardware Engineer Web Developer Electrician Broadcast Technician Videographer Graphic Designer Electronics Engineer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lawyer Paralegal Judge Teacher Accountant Investment Banker Hotel Manager Police Officer Real Estate Agent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business Owner Stock Broker Human Resource Director Insurance Agent Auto and Diesel Technician Construction Manager Sales Manager Firefighter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doctor Dentist Nurse Nurse Practitioner Physical Therapist Pharmacist Medical Technician Food Scientist 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paramedic Biomedical Engineer Forensic Scientist Biologist Veterinarian Optometrist Psychiatrist Crime Scene Investigator



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