Prince George’s County Public Schools

High School Performance

Vocational High School Program Application

Grades 11 and 12

Application Deadline
First Semester: July 15
Second Semester: December 1

Croom Vocational High School
9400 Surratts Road
Cheltenham, MD  20623
301-372-8846

Tall Oaks Vocational High School
2112 Church Road
Bowie, MD  20716
301-390-0230

Kevin M. Maxwell, Ph.D., Chief Executive Officer
Program Description: The Vocational High School Program is designed to provide an alternative school program for students interested in career and technical education in grades 11 and 12. Students are transferred into the school with all student data and state assessment testing information credited back to their base school. The program affords students an opportunity to earn core and elective course credits and complete technical course requirements and career technical certifications. Essential components include Positive behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS) behavioral management model, strict attendance guidelines, and small class sizes which are primarily designed to enhance positive student skill development.

Recognizing the need for school and family to work together in the education of children, the program requires that parents agree to participate in monthly meetings where they participate in activities designed to help them better assist their children. In addition, we encourage regular communication between the home and the school as we seek to help our students prepare for the future.

Student Profile: The best candidates for the program are students who would benefit from a highly structured and supportive environment.

- The primary focus is on 11th and 12th grade students identified by their base school for enrollment in the Vocational High School Program.
- Certificate and licensure programs are within the Business Education, Family and Consumer Science, Technology Education and Technical Academy departments.
- Expelled students are admitted in grades 11 and 12 on a short term academic enrollment basis.

Curriculum: The program has a term-length schedule, with each campus making the adjustments needed to support all of their course offerings. The curriculum is composed of core subjects with selected electives. Class sizes are generally 15 students or less.

Applications: To apply for admission into one of the Vocational High Schools, the attached application must be completed by the base school with the principal’s and parent/guardians’ signatures. Copies of the following required documents for each student must be attached to the application:

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<td>Functional Behavior Assessment Intervention Plan (FBA/BIP)</td>
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A Student Documentation Checklist is in Part II of the application. Completed applications must be sent to Croom Vocational High School for the southern area (students living South of Central Avenue) and to Tall Oaks Vocational High School for the northern area (students living North of Central Avenue) for the county.

Student Enrollment Contract Requirement: As a condition of enrollment in the Vocational High School Program, students must agree to meet the expectations, guidelines, and standards of the school program. All students must sign the Student Enrollment Contract committing to:

- Follow the Student Rights and Responsibilities, school dress code, and the rules of the Vocational High School Program;
- Earn at least a grade “C” or better in each class;
- Attend school regularly.
General Program Information

Admission Process: All applications for admission must be completed by the base school with the parent’s signed consent and forwarded to the appropriate Vocational High School for student screening.

Applications for expelled 11th and 12th grade students are accepted on a rolling basis.

Screening: A school system panel reviews student applications and recommends transfer into the program for appropriate students or referral to another alternative educational option.

Orientation: Students and parents must attend a mandatory program overview meeting at the selected Vocational High School Program site.

Interview: Students and parents participate in a required interview prior to admission into the program.

Acceptance: Parents/guardians, students, and their base school are notified in writing of the student’s acceptance into the Vocational School Program.

Registration: If accepted, students will be transferred to the Vocational High School Program.

Transportation: Transportation is arranged for students accepted into a Vocational High School. Transportation must be provided by the parent until a bus is assigned.

Career and Technology Educational Course Offerings: Croom and Tall Oaks Vocational High Schools seek to provide students with technical skills and knowledge that add value to their traditional academic program. The Career and Technical Education (CTE) Program serves students in grades 11 and 12. The CTE course offerings are in addition to the general college preparatory programs. Each site features several programs when available:

- Accounting
- Automotive Technician
- Business Administration Services
- Business Management
- Carpentry
- Child Growth Development
- Computer Graphics
- Financial Literacy
- Electrical
- Horticulture
- Pro Start
- Tech Essentials
- Cisco

Detailed program information is available at each location.

Parent Involvement Contract Requirement: The active involvement of the parent/guardian is a critical element in helping students to be successful in school and beyond. By establishing a strong home/school relationship, school staff and parents can work to provide the maximum opportunity for students to reach their potential.

Active parental involvement means parents will:

- Attend conferences for academic, attendance and behavior reasons;
- Encourage and enforce regular school participation;
- Check and monitor homework, classwork and supplies, and support academic and behavioral goals; and
- Attend scheduled meetings and conferences.
Submit Parts 1 and II of this application along with all other required student documents listed in the Documentation Checklist section in Part II. Submit the completed application packet to the appropriate Vocational High School. Place an “X” in the box next to the school you would like to attend.

☐ Croom  ☐ Tall Oaks

**Part 1**

(To be completed by the base school)

Student Name______________________________________  Student ID # ______________________________

Base/Home School ________________________ Cluster _____  Current Grade ___________  DOB _______

Principal ________________________________  Guidance Counselor ________________________________

Parent/Guardian Name _________________________________________________________________________

Home Address _______________________________________________________________________________

__________________________________________________________________________________________

Home Phone Number _______________________  Work Phone Number _______________________________

Cell Phone Number ________________________  E-mail Address _____________________________________

Reason for Application :  (Check All that apply)

_____ Academic Problems  _____ Repeated Suspensions

_____ Behavior Problems  _____ Attendance Problems

_____ Expulsion  Date of Incident __________

Give reason for expulsion/comments:  _____________________________________________________

Does the student have an I.E.P.?  ____ Yes  ____ No

Does the student have a Section 504 Plan?  ____ Yes  ____ No

(if yes to questions above, be sure to attach to this application)

Has the school begun the special education screening process for this student?  ____ Yes  ____ No

Does the student receive ELL/ESOL services?  ____ Yes  ____ No

Has the student ever received ELL/ESOL services?  Indicate date of withdrawal

Does the student receive free/reduced lunch?  ____ Yes  ____ No

**Required signatures:**

_____________________________________________  ________________________________________

Parent/Guardian  Date  Principal  Date

_____________________________________________  ________________________________________

Special Education Assistant Supervisor  Date  Compliance Office  Date

(if needed)  (if needed)
Part II

Student Documentation Checklist: (Put a check mark for all attached documents)

Required Documents

___ Latest Report Card
___ PDS Cards
___ Latest attendance report
___ Discipline referrals
___ Suspension and/or expulsion reports
___ School past interventions statement
___ PGC New Custom Transcript
___ Shot Record

Required Documents (if applicable)

___ FBA/BIP
___ SIT/SST notes
___ Current IEP
___ Current 504 Plan
___ Psychological report
___ IDT Summary Notices
___ Prior Written Notes
___ Educational Testing Report

Academic Skill Levels: (Place score/level in appropriate box)

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<th>Reading Score:</th>
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High School Assessment: (List the highest score for each test)

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<th>Government Score:</th>
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Special Services:

Indicate disability level of service provided, how often, and why?

_____________________________________________________________________________________

Indicate related services (i.e., speech, OT, PT) and hours of service (If appropriate)

_____________________________________________________________________________________

Have special education, Section 504, or ESOL services been discontinued? ___ Yes ___ No. If yes, include the Prior Written Notice or Section 504 IDT Summary Notice showing withdraw from services.

Attendance and Conduct Record:

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Has the student ever been:

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Health:

Does the student have a pre-existing health condition that might impact attendance or academic progress?

___ Yes ___ No

Medication: ___ Yes ___ No

Given at School: ___ Yes ___ No

Past Interventions:

Attach a brief statement about the student’s academic performance, social adjustment, and behavior which includes past strategies and interventions that the school implemented to assist the student.

__________________________________________________________

Signature of Person Completing Form

Position

Date

Phone Number

Filing: Cum Record