

District Specialty Academy Proposal Template

A specialty academy is defined as an educational program that emphasizes a particular sport, activity, or subject area and meets the prescribed criteria set out in Admin Procedure 220.

Please submit your completed application to your, Director of Instruction.

School:

Academy Name:

Today's Date:

Proposed Start Date:

Proposal

Proposals must be completed and submitted on this standard VSB template

Section 1: Proposed Specialty Academy and Learning Rationale

I. **Learning Outcomes**

The academy proposed meets learning outcomes in addition to the learning outcomes in a standard educational program. List your learning outcomes here:

II. **Emphasis**

The academy must reflect an emphasis on a particular *sport, activity, or subject area*. If the specialty academy emphasizes a particular subject, the subject area must be: *applied skills, fine arts, language arts, math, physical education, science or social studies*.

Describe the emphasis of your academy.

III. **Hours of Instruction**

a) a one-year specialty academy must include:

- i) a minimum of 240 hours of instruction, or
- ii) sufficient hours of instruction to enable a student to earn 8 credits in the school year

b) a multi-year specialty academy must include:

- i) a minimum of 120 hours of instruction or
- ii) sufficient hours of instruction to enable a student to earn 4 credits in each school year.

Describe the hours of instruction being proposed one year or multi-year.

Section 2: Academy Proposal Checklist

School to provide indication that each of the below requirements has been met prior to submission of Specialty Academy Proposal

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- the school planning council has approved the proposed academy (attach SPC minutes with approved motion)
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- the school planning council has consulted with the parent advisory council (PAC Chair signs this application)
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- the academy program fulfills the general requirements for graduation plus the additional learning outcomes of the academy (attach academy course schedule)
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- the academy school fee schedule has been approved by the SPC (attach academy fee schedule)
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- the guidelines for the implementation of the financial hardship policy have been applied
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Principal Signature

Print Name

PAC Chair Signature/

Print name