## WELCOME CLASS OF 2029!

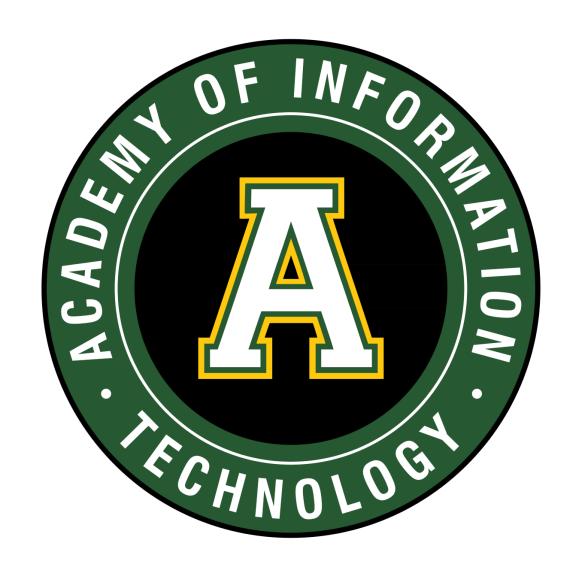
Academy of Information Technology

Distinguished Academy Since 2001

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Small learning community within Apex High School.

90 students in cohort environment.



4-Year Program

Following the NCSCOS

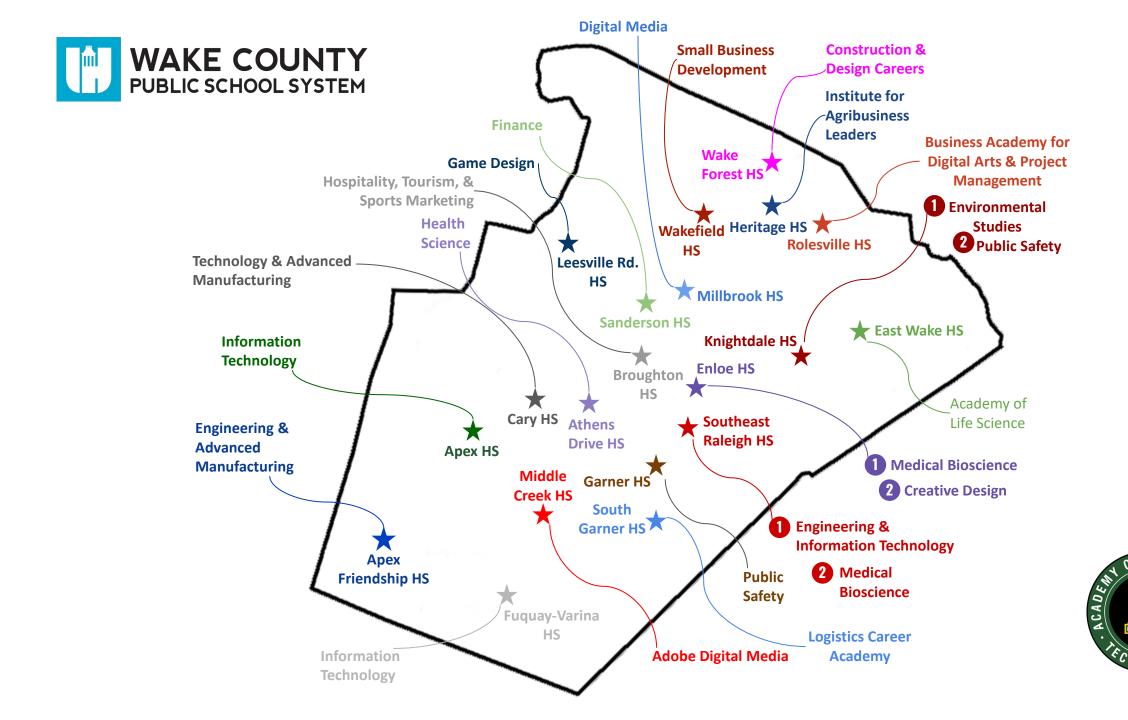
- Programming Track
- Design Track



Students graduate better prepared for college, career and future success.

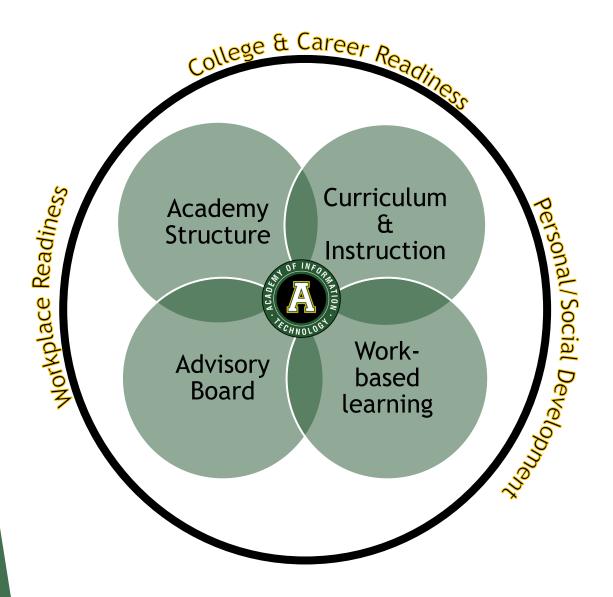
- Soft Skills
- Tech Skills







#### **Career Academy Structure**



**Academy Structure** - Small learning community; student cohorts; student centered environment; core instruction integrated with theme-based electives; specially trained teachers.

**Curriculum & Instruction** – Embedded college & career readiness experiences; industry-recognized certifications; interdisciplinary project-based learning; access to all levels of courses (academic, honors, AP.)

Work-Based Learning – Career awareness – Exploration – Preparation immersion model includes site visits, job shadowing, guest speakers, resume workshops, practice interviews, off campus learning experiences, and internships.

Advisory Board – Collaboration with business partners, community leaders and higher education provides real-world industry context. Plays a critical role in helping to shape talent in high school.









#### Academy of Information Technology Sample Course Sequencing

		9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	12 <sup>th</sup> Grade
1	English	English I Honors – Cohort	English II Honors – Cohort	English III Honors-	English IV – Cohort or
	(4 credits)	(Fall)	(Fall)	Cohort or	AP Literature - Cohort
				AP Language -Cohort	
				(Fall)	
2	<b>Social Studies</b>	World History Honors –	Civics Literacy – Cohort	American History -	<b>Economics &amp; Personal</b>
	(4 credits)	Cohort (Fall)	or AP Gov Cohort	Cohort or	Finance – Cohort (Fall)
			(Spring)	AP US History - Cohort	
				(Spring)	
3	Science	Biology Honors - Cohort	Earth/Environmental	Free Choice	Free Choice
	(3 credits)	(Spring)	Science Honors – Cohort		
			(Spring)		
4	Math	Free Choice	Free Choice	Free Choice	Free Choice
	(4 credits)				
5	Electives	MS Word/PPT Honors (Fall)	MS Excel – Cohort (Fall)	Free Choice	Free Choice
6	Electives	Healthful Living	<b>AP Computer Science</b>	Python I Honors	<b>AP Computer Science A</b>
			Principles (Spring)	or	or
			or		
			Adobe Visual Design I	Adobe Visual Design II	Adobe Video I Honors
			Honors (Spring)	Honors	and
			1.00		Career Academy
					Internship Honors <sup>^</sup>
7	Electives	Free Choice	Free Choice	Free Choice	Free Choice
8	Electives	Free Choice	Free Choice	Free Choice	Free Choice

#### **NAF NETWORK**



- ► National education non-profit brings schools and businesses together.
- ► AOIT = Distinguished Academy Since 2001
  - ► Annual assessment.
  - ▶ Demonstrate excellence to the educational design.
  - Students graduate future ready for college and careers.
- ▶ Unique opportunities beyond traditional high school through industry partners.







#### **BENEFITS**

- ► Career-Related Courses
- ▶ Project Based Learning
- ► Connection to Business Professional
- Work-Based Learning Develop Professional Skills
- ► Industry Recognized Certifications
- ▶ NAFTrack Certification
- ► NAF College Scholarships
- ► NAF Alumni Network





## WHAT TYPE OF STUDENT SHOULD APPLY?

- ► Students who enjoy working with technology.
  - ▶ Computer programming
  - ▶ Content creation and design
- ► Students who want to be exposed to:
  - ► Real-world projects
  - ▶ College and career preparation
  - Developing future-ready skills
  - ► Collaborative work environment
  - ► Earning industry recognized certifications



### HOW TO APPLY

Assigned to AHS by Student Assignment

Application available online

Two teacher recommendations

Student essay

Application deadline March 17, 2025

Students pulled by lottery

90 seats to fill

Notification via Email in May





# QUESTIONS FAQ Table 2nd Floor



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## Transition to Breakout Sessions

Please refer to the agenda for group assignment.



