

2021 - 2022

**ACCELERATED LEARNING ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL
APPLICATION**

**Patrick J. DiPaolo Student Success Center
@ EMERSON GRIDLEY**

816 N. Park Ave., Erie, PA 16502 - 814-874-6450

The Accelerated Learning Academy is an online and project-based program. Students will study at the Learning Academy each day, where they will receive support in the four core academic areas. Each day students will have dedicated access to our online learning platform for completion of credits, which will lead to graduation.

Students in 11th or 12th grade who may be behind in their credits are eligible for enrollment. Students who gain access to the Learning Academy will spend extra time and effort outside of school to be successful. Students are strongly encouraged to attend our cyber lab for additional academic support.

DATE: _____

HOME SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR _____

TEACHER OF RECORD (if IEP Student) _____

****An IEP Team meeting must be held before the application submission** (PLEASE PRINT NAME)

STUDENT INFORMATION

NAME _____ STUDENT ID # _____

GRADE _____ HOMESCHOOL _____ DOB _____ IEP YES NO

STREET ADDRESS _____
HOUSE NUMBER STREET CITY STATE ZIP

HOME/CELL PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

DO YOU HAVE A COMPUTER YES NO

DO YOU HAVE HIGH-SPEED INTERNET YES NO

SESSION PREFERENCE AM PM

PARENT /GUARDIAN INFORMATION

FULL NAME _____ RELATIONSHIP _____

ADDRESS _____
HOUSE NUMBER STREET CITY STATE ZIP

HOME/CELL PHONE _____ WORK PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

- Please read and sign the **Accelerated Learning Code of Conduct**, on the back of this application

ADMINISTRATION USE ONLY

EMERSON GRIDLEY ADMINISTRATION

APPROVAL DENIED

DATE _____

*** RETURN TO EMERSON GRIDLEY SCHOOL OFFICE ***

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RECOVERY STUDENT

Strong independent work habits, personal commitment, strong parent support, along with participation, are expected for success. To qualify for entry into the School District of the City of Erie Accelerated Learning Academy, the prospective student must:

- Be a member of the current 11th or 12th-grade cohort, but short the credits necessary to graduate on time
- Possess basic computer skills and a working knowledge of the internet
- Work on your subjects outside of school
- Accept all rules associated with the Accelerated Learning Academy, in addition to the EPS Student Handbook
- Sign a School District of the City of Erie Accelerated Learning Academy Application and Code of Conduct

ATTENDANCE RULES AND PROGRESS REQUIREMENTS

Excellent attendance is a non-negotiable expectation of the Accelerated Learning Academy. Students will be assigned to either a morning (8:00 am – 11:00 am) or an afternoon (12:00 noon – 3:00 pm) session and will be expected to attend every day school is in session.

1. The Accelerated Learning Academy (ALA) follows the regular attendance policy of the Erie School District. Any absence will require an excuse, or it will be considered an illegal or unexcused absence.
2. Students still of compulsory attendance age who acquire illegal absences will be subject to notices and fines.
3. Students beyond compulsory attendance age will be removed from the rolls upon recording ten (10) consecutive absences.
4. Academic Progress/Credits: Students must maintain a minimum passing grade of 65% in all courses. Partial credit will not be given for incomplete courses. High school students are required to complete a minimum of two (2) full credit classes per quarter for a total of eight (8) credits per year. Course completion requirements will be based on the number of credits a prospective student has earned prior to enrollment in the ALA.
5. Students who are behind in credits will be expected to increase their rate of class completion in order to graduate with their cohort group or in as timely a fashion as is practical. Academic progress will be monitored weekly, and progress reports sent via email will be available upon request. Students are required to adhere to each online course's academic expectations and to follow the individual academic progress plan established by the District.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY

Students caught cheating will be removed from the course and will receive a failing grade. Definitions for the term 'cheating' can be found in the Student Handbook. Students removed from a course for cheating will also be removed from the program permanently.

STUDENT/PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES

Online course work is rigorous. In order to recoup lost credits, students must put forth their best effort and are expected to manage their time appropriately in class. If a student is in need of academic support, it is recommended that they remain at school to work in the cyber lab. The lab is open from 8:00 am to 2:30 pm each day school is in session.

- Students will have access to the online course at all times. Additional course work can also be completed via Internet access at home, at a public library, or anywhere a student can access a Wi-Fi connection to log on to the internet.
- Students will meet three times a quarter with a teacher to set and review goals for course completion and credit recoupment.
- Students are required to abide by all School District of the City of Erie rules regarding behavior, attendance, and academics.
- Students are required to take the Keystone exams and other required exams at PJD Success Center @ Emerson Gridley.

By signing below, I agree to all the terms and conditions listed above and agree to work a minimum of five (5) hours per day or at least twenty-five (25) hours a week on my courses.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

As a parent of an Accelerated Learning Academy student, I agree to monitor the progress of my child daily to assure that they are attending school daily and that they are making satisfactory progress through their assigned courses. I understand that failure to do so may result in the removal of my child from the School District of the City of Erie Accelerated Learning Academy.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____