Atlanta College and Career Academy

Frequently Asked Questions

12 CTAE Pathways and

Infant Childcare Specialist Technical Certificate (Atlanta Technical College) Early College Essentials Technical Certificate (Atlanta Technical College)

Location: 1090 Windsor Street

What is the Atlanta College and Career Academy (ACCA)?

ACCA is an Atlanta Public Schools program that will help students graduate with credentials aligned to high-demand technical careers in Atlanta. ACCA offers two opportunities:

- 1. Twelve career technology pathways and Two technical certificates at 1090 Windsor Street and
- 2. Dual enrollment classes at Atlanta Technical College

This FAQ addresses questions regarding the twelve pathways and two technical certificates offered at 1090 Windsor Street

What career technology pathways does ACCA offer at 1090 Windsor Street?

ACCA will offer twelve career technology programs: General Automotive Technology; Carpentry; HVAC and Refrigeration; Culinary Arts; Hospitality, Recreation & Tourism; Dental Science; Patient Care; Graphic Design; Criminal Investigation; Emergency Medical Responder; Programming; Cybersecurity. Employability curriculum and training will also play a major role in daily academic programming and grading. Students must commit to following all expectations as outlined by ACCA Leadership.

What technical certificates (TCCs) does ACCA offer at 1090 Windsor Street?

ACCA will offer two technical certificate programs on the Windsor Street campus:

- Infant Childcare Specialist TCC one year commitment
- Early College Essentials TCC college core classes with ATC instructor; This program requires two years for completion

Which program should I apply for?

All students should make an informed decision. We highly recommend all applicants take the YouScience career assessment (located in Infinite Campus SLDS – My Career Plan) before completing an online ACCA application. See your school counselor for additional information.

Will I still be a student at my current school if I participate?

Yes, students will take classes at their home school for half the day and classes at ACCA for the other half.

Is transportation provided?

Yes, Atlanta Public Schools will provide bus transportation from the home school to ACCA, and from ACCA to the home school.

Can I participate in home school activities, i.e. sports, band, cheerleading, if accepted to participate in ACCA?

Yes, you can participate in all home school activities.

How long will I participate in ACCA programming?

Students will complete career technology pathway in one academic year. Early College Essentials TCC requires two years to complete. Students must commit to remaining in the program from August 2021-May 2022. Due to accelerated curriculum pacing, daily attendance is critical. Students must commit to attending both their home school and ACCA on a daily basis. Students must commit to remaining in good academic standing at their home school and ACCA August 2021 - May 2022.

Does ACCA require uniforms?

Some ACCA programs will require a daily uniform. In addition, students will be required to wear an official ACCA school uniform during special events, dress for success days and when participating in off-site school events (field trips, job shadowing activities, etc).

When can I apply?

Students can apply online beginning January 2021. The final day to apply is March 2021.

What are the admission requirements?

Admission Requirements for all programs	Admission to Early College Essentials TCC
except Early College Essentials	Program (Dual Enrollment college core classes)
 ✓ Students must be in the 10th, 11th or 12th grade during 2021-2022 school year and on track to graduate Grade 10 (Cohort 2024) 6+ credits Grade 11 (Cohort 2023) 12+ credit Grade 12 (Cohort 2022) 18+ credits 	 ✓ Students must be in the 11th or 12th grade during 2021-2022 school year and on track to graduate Grade 11 (Cohort 2023) 12+ credit Grade 12 (Cohort 2022) 18+ credits **preference given to juniors**
 preference given to graduating seniors ✓ GPA of 2.0 or higher ✓ SST/504/Special Education – If yes, team must meet to confirm eligibility to participate ✓ Home school does not offer pathway requested 	 ✓ Hope GPA of 2.6 or higher OR ✓ Meet the SAT/ACT/PSAT/ACCUPLACER entrance requirement of Atlanta Technical College ✓ This program is a two year commitment for completion The Early College Essentials TCC courses will be offered on the ACCA campus (with ATC instructors)

Can my application be denied?

Yes, your application can be denied for one of the following reasons:

- · Lack of capacity at ACCA
- · Minimum admission requirements are not met
- The IEP team or 504 team does not recommend enrollment
- The IEP team or 504 team did not meet prior to the submission of an application

Who can I contact for questions about the admissions process?

Please contact your school counselor regarding questions about completing the online application or YouScience.

Will ACCA continue to offer dual enrollment classes at Atlanta Technical College next year?

Yes. ACCA will continue to offer dual enrollment classes at Atlanta Technical College next year.

Is there a difference in admission requirements for the pathways offered at 1090 Windsor Street and dual enrollment classes offered at Atlanta Technical College?

Yes, admission requirements for the programs are listed above. Students participating in dual enrollment classes at Atlanta Technical College must meet additional criteria.

What if my child is in special education?

Students with Disabilities are encouraged to apply. If the student is served under IDEA (has an Individualized Education Program), the IEP team must convene to review and discuss the student's IEP, transcript, and specific needs to determine if ACCA is appropriate. If the student is protected under 504 or protected and has an accommodation plan, the 504 team should convene to determine if ACCA is appropriate.

Is there an appeals process?

Yes. If your home school declines your application, you can file an appeal at your home school. Please speak with your school counselor to receive specific details about the appeals process.