



Proposal:

# Truman High School

Internet Academy | Career Academy | Evening Academy

March 2009

# Three Important Components

- Internet Academy
- Career Academy
- Evening Academy

# Internet Academy

- Our current program would move from its current location to Truman High School
- IA would continue to maintain a separate budget supporting itself through student enrollment of in-district and out of district through FTE and Tuition
- IA's principal would oversee the IA program and the two new proposed academies at Truman High School

# Career Academy

- Some important elements of the current Truman High School program will stay the same:
  - Portfolio Based non-credit bearing
  - Student Internships
  - Job Shadows
  - Small school environment
  - Career Emphasis and support planing

# Career Academy

- Portfolio Waiver
  - Current waiver will expire June 2009
  - Required to continue the portfolio non-credit bearing component of the current Truman program or the proposed Career Academy
  - Expected presentation for State Board March 2009

# Career Academy

- The Career Academy at Truman High school will provide education and internship opportunities in a variety of professional fields.
  - Human Services
  - Health Sciences
  - Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics
  - Architecture and Construction
  - Business Management and Administration
  - Marketing, Sales and Service
  - Auto Technology (NATEF)

# Career Academy

- Students will receive education in the core curriculum covered by the Washington State graduation requirements and be fully prepared for the state assessments in:
  - Language Arts
  - Science
  - Mathematics
  - Social Studies

# Career Academy

- Students will engage in a small school environment allowing them to be well known by staff and academically advised accordingly. Each student will build an individual path toward professional preparation and high school graduation.

# Career Academy

- Admissions:
  - Current Truman students will easily integrate into this new improved model.
  - New students will be recruited from our comprehensive high schools.
  - Students will be admitted during the school year on an ongoing basis (open enrollment).

# Career Academy

- Level 1 - Freshmen and Sophomores will:
  - prepare for the WASL
  - explore career pathways
  - create a portrait of their interests and talents in order to direct them toward their career goals for this program

# Career Academy

- Transitioning between Level 1 and Level 2:
  - meets standard on the Reading and Writing WASL assessments
  - meets standard in Algebra I
  - meets standard in academic areas in the student portfolio

# Career Academy

- Transitioning between Level 1 and Level 2:
  - Portfolio Review –
    - The determination for passing is based on a comprehensive review of the core work and completion of the career guidance program for Level 1.

# Career Academy

- Level 2 - Juniors and Seniors
  - During the junior and senior years, students will continue toward completion of the Washington State graduation requirements.
  - Students may attend Running Start or other comparable programs in order to meet these goals.
  - Students may pursue industry recognized certificate bearing programs at any of our high schools in Federal Way.

# Career Academy

- Students will receive:
  - academic support to pursue their chosen career pathway
  - Internships
  - job shadows
  - cooperative work experience and other community-based learning opportunities.

# Career Academy

- Student schedules will be tailored to allow travel to:
  - Local community colleges
  - Technical schools
  - Other high schools in FWPS
  - Occupational training settings
  - Local businesses
  - Hospitals
  - Training sites for the trades
  - Others as individual needs require

# Career Academy

- Staff will be flexible professionals.
- Staff will understand as they work together and commit to professional dialogue, students will be well served.
- Staff will be trained in specific learning strategies for students of poverty who are expected to excel academically and participate in professional environments.

# Career Academy

- School Calendar:
  - The Career Academy at Truman will follow the regular Federal Way Public School calendar for high schools to enable enrollment in preparatory program options.

# Career Academy

- Transportation:

- Transportation will be maintained to and from the Truman Center at its current level.

- Level 2 students who participate in programs at other educational or community sites will access public transportation or provide their own transportation.

# Evening Academy

- Open second semester 2009-2010
- Staffed with math and English teachers
- Blended online opportunities for students
- Monday-Thursday – early evening hours

# Informational Opportunities

- February 13 and 24 at Truman
  - During the school day
  - Consultation
  - Portfolio Review
  - Etc.

## Questions?

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