



YOUNG SCHOLARS ACADEMY



WHO:

The Young Scholars Academy is a competitive program for high-achieving juniors and seniors at Kenton County School District high schools (Dixie Heights High School, Scott High School and Simon Kenton High School).

WHAT:

This innovative program, a partnership between Northern Kentucky University (NKU) and the Kenton County School District (KCS D), puts students ahead on the path to meeting their education goals. A full-time collegiate experience gives students the opportunity to complete a baccalaureate degree at NKU with an additional two years of study, post-early college curriculum. Students will be able to select between two pathways—a STEM or non-STEM focus—with the potential to achieve a certification of completion (60 credit hours or more) or an Associate of Arts in Integrative Studies.

WHEN/HOW:

Applications are due by April 24, 2020, to the appropriate school contact: Thad Dusing (Dixie Heights High School); Jill Holthaus (Scott High School); or Shelley Sizemore (Simon Kenton High School). In addition to KCS D admission requirements, all students must be admitted to NKU's School-Based Scholars (SBS) program. This program is offered to you at a reduced per credit hour cost compared to standard per credit hour tuition rates.

WHERE:

Participants will be enrolled as full-time students at their local high school but will attend NKU's Highland Heights campus for credit-bearing courses.

WHY:

Research indicates that high school students enrolled in early colleges were significantly more likely to graduate from high school, enroll in college and complete a 4-year degree. Our community and the Commonwealth benefit when talented youth are supported along a pathway to earn a highly valued degree. This approach will be a model for the region, the Commonwealth and the country as an innovative partnership between P-12 and post-secondary institutions to benefit students.

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