BLPA Academy

Endorsement Requirements (Beginning with the Class of 2021)

In addition to meeting grade level Knox County graduation requirements, Academy Endorsement Requirements include:

- 1. 30 Credits (4 of which support a progression towards area of endorsement, see below)
- 2. Minimum 3.0 GPA, minimum one course must be honors/AP/Dual Enrollment
- 3. 50 hours of service learning over 9th-12th grades (30 hours suggested prior to conclusion of 11th)
- 4. 'C' or better in Honors Academic Research, AP Capstone Program, or CTE Level 3/4 course
- 5. Speech is strongly suggested and may possibly be used to count as one of the four courses for endorsement
- 6. 30 hours job-shadowing and correlating documentation
- 7. Presentation to Flight Time
- 8. Showcase Night Evening Community Poster Presentation

Business/Marketing

- 4 Business Credits clustered in area of Interest - 1 of 4 could be — ACTS or Speech
- 1 AP, Honors, or Dual Enrollment Class

Journalism

- 3 Journalism Classes
- 1 ACTS, or Speech
- 1 AP, Honors, or Dual Enrollment Class

Law

- 3 Criminal Justice Classes
- 1 ACTS, or Speech
- 1 AP, Honors, or Dual Enrollment Class

Computer Science

- 4 Computer Science Classes Clustered in area of interest
- 1 AP, Honors, or Dual Enrollment
- Speech strongly suggested

Technical Endorsement (Subject to Change)

To earn a Technical endorsement, you must be a concentrator in one of the programs of study **AND** include a Work-Based Learning, practicum, or CTE capstone experience.

CTE Career Clusters

For current and up-to-date information and options, please see your academy counselor or dean

*Minimum one course in honors/AP/Dual Enrollment in ANY course to earn Technical Endorsement