



Bullitt Advanced Math & Science Accelerated Early Graduation Scholarship Riverview Opportunity Center

Bullitt Advanced Math & Science program is a highly selective program that provides intellectually gifted and highly motivated students a concentrated two year online and interactive educational experience. After two years of challenging and engaging curriculum, students transition to Bullitt County JCTC for a two year program to begin college coursework in pursuit of an associate's degree. (60 College Hours)

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Who can apply?

You are invited to apply to the innovative and accelerated Bullitt Math and Science Academy. This program is an accelerated, scholarship based program for advanced math and science students. A student may qualify for an invitation based on the following academic scores in the 8th grade:

- Your Math MAP score was a minimum of 250 on the spring assessment (85 Percentile)
- > Your EXPLORE Science Score was a minimum of 17 on the fall test (75 Percentile)

Who is this program designed for and what are the requirements?

- ✓ This program is for motivated and inquisitive students that have demonstrated a high level of academic success and have a desire to accelerate their learning experience. Students have a clear academic or career goal in mind and therefore a reason to demonstrate proficiency in high school and move on.
- ✓ Student is emotionally and academically mature, can deal with their schedule and classes being "out of step" with same age peers. BAMS students have the ability to complete high school coursework online and within two years.
- ✓ The BAMS student must attend regularly and stay in line with the district attendance policy. Any student with more than 6 unexcused absences is considered truant and scholarship status would be conditional. Habitual truancy will be subject to removal from the program.
- ✓ Willing to take on more challenging, interesting and fun science and math experiences than would be possible in a regular high school.



✓ BAMS student must maintain a 2.75 GPA throughout their high school coursework and throughout their college coursework. If a student drops below a 2.75 they will be placed on academic probation. If the student has back to back semesters below the GPA requirement, they will lose their scholarship and/or seat in the program and be returned to their home high school.

What are the benefits to the student & family?

- ✓ The opportunity to be educated in a co-hort of 20 curious, creative, and motived students
- ✓ Earn a full BAMS tuition scholarship worth \$4000.
- ✓ Qualify and utilize KEES\$ and one time Early Graduation Scholarship from the state to pay for the second year of college.



BAMS Four-Year Accelerated Learning Plan

Year 1 Riverview Opportunity Center Online /Blended High School Coursework

Year 2 Riverview Opportunity Center Online / Blended High School Coursework

IF THE BAMS STUDENT IS IN GOOD ACADEMIC STANDING AND IN LINE WITH THE ATTENDANCE POLICY, THEY WILL BE AWARDED THE <u>FULL BAMS SCHOLARSHIP</u> (Full Tuition, Transportation)

Year 3 JCTC Bullitt Campus 16 College Hours Fall Semester/16 College Hours Spring Semester

FULL TUITION PAID BY THE BAMS SCHOLARSHIP, A VALUE OF \$4030 + transportation

By the end of year 3, Students must successfully attain benchmarks on the ACT and End Of Course Exams. (ACT - ENGLISH 18, MATH 19, READING 20; END OF COURSE BIOLOGY, ALGEBRA II, ENGLISH II, AND US HISTORY) END OF YEAR THREE (3) STUDENT GRADUATES FROM BULLITT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Year 4 JCTC Bullitt Campus 16 College Hours Fall Semester/16 College Hours Spring Semester

A BAMS student will earn KEES \$ and one time Early Graduation Scholarship equaling approximately \$4000 to be applied for their 4th year college tuition. They will be responsible for transportation, books, and other expenses at JCTC. The student will be eligible to apply for grants, financial aid, and other scholarships.

Frequently Ask Questions

How do I apply?

A student must complete the application to include essay, grade reports, parent commitment, and recommendation from middle school teacher and counselor/administrator by March 14th.

How will we know who will be selected?

A committee will judge the applicants holistically to determine the pool of students for individual interviews with a small panel. A scoring rubric will determine those who are accepted into the program.

Where will the center be located? The first two years are at the Riverview Opportunity Center located behind Bullitt Central High School. The third and fourth year will be at Jefferson Community and Technical College Bullitt Campus.

Will there be transportation available?

Full transportation two and from school will be provided in the first three (3) years of the BAMS program. The fourth year transportation will not be provided.

Can I participate in athletics and extra-curricular activities at my home high school?

A student may participate in all athletics and/or extra-curricular programs during the first three years of the program. They will graduate at the end of year three (3) and will no longer be eligible.

What is Early Graduation Regulation? The Early Graduation regulation is a result of Senate Bill 61 (2013) and is a companion to Senate Bill 97 (2013). To summarize the regulation, beginning in 2014-2015, Early Graduation will be possible for students who intend to move on an <u>accelerated timeline through high school and graduate college ready before the typical four years of high school or age 18.</u> Early Graduation is a deliberate pathway for students that wish to move on when ready, receive a diploma from the district and be eligible for acceptance into a SACS accredited Kentucky public or non-profit two-or four-year college. The regulation provides a financial incentive, known as the Early Graduation Certificate, for the student to support this action.