

# ACADEMIES @PHS

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## Visual Arts Academy

Piscataway High School

### About the Visual Arts Academy

The PHS Visual Arts Academy offers opportunities to explore a variety of visual arts mediums, college experiences, and careers through a focused sequence of courses.



### College Preparation

Students in the Visual Arts Academy will develop well-rounded visual arts experience - which will help them to prepare a college portfolio. Students apply and audition for a specific course pathway in a focused area of study, and then follow the course sequence through to graduation.



### Auditions

Admittance to the Visual Arts Academy requires submission of a portfolio, and an audition. Auditions take place at the beginning of January and you will receive your audition time after all application materials have been submitted prior to Winter Break.

Students will be scored on provided rubrics and admission to the academy will be offered based on student performance, with consideration given to grades, coursework, and extracurricular involvement.

**[Portfolio & Audition Requirements and Materials \(Click Here!\)](#)**

### How Can I Prepare to Apply?

In addition to preparing a portfolio and preparing for the audition/interview, middle school students should be enrolled in visual arts courses and any additional Middle School Arts Enrichment Opportunities.

### Why Choose an Academy at Piscataway High School?

PHS Academies offer focused curricula targeted to specific career paths. At PHS, academies act as “schools within a school,” emphasizing specialized content areas while simultaneously offering the depth and breadth of a larger high school experience. Academy students participate in PHS athletics, arts, clubs, and activities. Admission is competitive with selection based on grades, test scores, extracurricular involvement/experience, auditions, and portfolios.



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## Course Pathways

<b>Animation</b>	Introduction to Animation	Animation 2	Animation Independent Study*	
<b>Ceramics + Sculpture</b>	Ceramics + Sculpture 1	Ceramics + Sculpture 2	Ceramics 3: The Pottery Wheel	AP 3D Design*
<b>Drawing + Painting</b>	Drawing + Painting 1	Drawing + Painting 2	AP Drawing + Painting 1*	AP Drawing + Painting 2*
<b>Graphic Design</b>	Graphic Design 1	Graphic Design 2	Graphic Design Independent Study	AP 2D Design 1*
<b>Photographic Design</b>	Photographic Design 1	Photographic Design 2	AP 2D Design 1*	AP 2D Design 2*

\*Visual Art Workshop Recommended with these courses.

### Extracurricular + Additional Opportunities

National Art Honor Society, AP Art Show, AP Art Workshops, Empty Cups Fundraiser, Raku Pottery Workshop, Scenic Design/Graphic Design for PHS Drama Club, 149 Multimedia Printing Program, Youth Art Month, Permanent Art Collection



### Additional Courses

AP Art History, Multimedia Print & Design, Visual Art Workshop, World of Art

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