



Academy for the Fine Arts

The Academy (AFA) for the Fine Arts at Governor Thomas Johnson High School offers Frederick County high school students in grades 10 -12, with an interest in the arts, the opportunity to take exceptional classes in music, theatre, dance and visual art. AFA courses are only offered at Governor Thomas Johnson High School during the first two instructional blocks daily. Any student planning to enroll in the AFA at Governor Thomas Johnson High School may remain enrolled at his/her home school for academic courses or may apply for Out of District to attend GTJHS.



Experiential learning through the arts...

AFA students form a community of artists that both collaborate and hone their individual artistic skills through unique enrichment experiences such as:

<i>Small group instruction</i>	<i>Masterclasses with professionals</i>	<i>Trips to view professional works</i>
<i>Performances</i>	<i>Student directed learning</i>	<i>Community internships</i>
<i>College visits</i>	<i>Rigorous coursework</i>	<i>Half day immersion in the arts</i>

AFA students are prepared to enter any post secondary experience and receive one-on-one guidance from highly qualified instructors along the way.

“I really loved the community that it created and I loved that I was ahead of most of my freshman class.”

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“I especially enjoyed the opportunity to learn from fellow students.”

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“The opportunity to perform with other students of a high caliber is a great benefit; being able to learn with students from all over the county is beneficial as well.”

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Choose a path that fits your schedule:

The AFA can be customized as a one, two, or three year program. Students decide when to audition for the Academy based on their specific scheduling needs. Each track contains a different set of experiences.

	Dance	Music	Theater	Visual Arts
1 Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dance Technique and Composition Dance History and Criticism Dance Kinesiology/Health 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Music Theory 1 Basic Piano Music History 1 Intro to Music Technology Chamber Ensemble 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Theatrical Literacy, History and Criticism 1 Script Writing Methods and Techniques 1 Voice and Movement 1 Theatre Business 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Journeys Through Art Styles or AP Art History 1 AP Studio Art 1 Visual Art Thesis 1 Advanced study in concentration (2D, 3D, Photo, Computer Graphics)
2 Years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dance Technique and Composition 2 Dance History and Criticism 2 Dance College and Career Readiness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AP Music Theory Advanced Music Technology Music History 2 Advanced Piano Chamber Ensemble 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Theatrical Literacy, History and Criticism 2 Writing for Stage and Film Methods and Techniques 2 Voice and Movement 2 Theatre Business 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AP Art History 1 or AP Art History 2 AP Studio Art 2 Visual Art Thesis 2 Advanced study in concentration (2D, 3D, Photo, Computer Graphics)
3 Years	<p>English 12 (AFA): Students will be able to explore writing skills and techniques through their specific focus area. This fulfills the 12th grade English requirement.</p> <p>Theories and Practices in Content: emphasizes the practices of being a visual and performing artist from both practical and theoretical perspectives. Students develop into active, independent, and critical contributors to their art.</p> <p>Internship: Students explore career opportunities that they may consider studying in a post-secondary setting. Students are placed for one semester with adult mentors to explore the responsibilities, benefits, advantages, and disadvantages of a career choice.</p> <p>Academy Capstone Project: may be connected to the mentor/internship; a research project; a career-related project; an arts, media or information resource design portfolio; the preparation and performance at a competition/festival/exhibition; or leadership of a school/community initiative.</p>			

Visit us!

Interested students are encouraged to register for a Shadow Day. During a Shadow Day, students will visit during regular school hours, take a tour of the AFA, sit in on a class, and have the opportunity to ask questions of AFA students and staff.

Register online to visit us!

Wednesday October 17th

Tuesday November 20th

Wednesday December 19th

Wednesday January 16th

Wednesday February 20th

Wednesday March 13th

Wednesday April 17th



2019 Audition Dates

Students in grades 9-11 are eligible to audition for the AFA on the following dates. After completing our online application, students will be asked to schedule their audition on either of the following dates:

Saturday February 23rd

Saturday April 17th

For audition requirements, please visit our website.

For More Information Contact:

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