

## The Academy

The new Pathways Academy at Remington provides students who have struggled in a traditional school environment an exciting opportunity to get back on track with instruction focused on their needs and interests.

The program is a merger of the Regional Learning Academy and the BOCES adjustment program and is located in the Remington Educational Complex in Ilion. All academic classes take place in the complex, and students in grades 7-10 are provided career

and technical education there. Students in grades 11-12 are provided their specialized choice of career and technical education at the William E. Busacker Complex in East Herkimer, where those students spend half of their school day.

The academy aims to meet each student's unique needs through supportive, small-group instruction in academic areas; career and technical education courses; and counseling. Students are exposed to traditional and virtual learning environments in pursuit of their Regents diploma.

The program also helps students develop pro-social and essential life skills such as responsibility, respect, safety, courtesy, punctuality, communication and self confidence.

The Pathways Academy supports a Positive Behavior Intervention and Support Model (PBIS), which infuses Common Core instruction with a focus on the 12 career readiness practices. The academy imbeds core instruction with the 16 career clusters, providing students with multiple opportunities and exposure to explore lifelong interests.

## Who can join the Pathways Academy?

The Pathways Academy at Remington is for students in grades 7-12 in component school districts of Herkimer-Fulton-Hamilton-Otsego BOCES.

Students may enter the program through a formal referral process by the school district.

Students interested in enrolling may have minor behavioral histories and can benefit from counseling and support services.

An alternate pathway to reaching your goals



## Services for students with disabilities

Pathways Academy provides a variety of services for students with disabilities.

Pathways has two 12:1:1 classrooms and four 8:1:1 classrooms - consisting of 12 or eight students respectively. Each classroom has one special education teacher and one teacher assistant. By virtue of the smaller student-to-teacher ratio, students in these classes receive more individualized instruction, attention and intervention.

Many of these students have classes that are co-taught by a subject content specialist and a special education teacher. Direct and indirect consultant teacher services may also support

the teacher and students. A specialist certified to work with students with disabilities provides the consultant services.

To reinforce student learning, many of the students receive academic

intervention and enrichment classes.

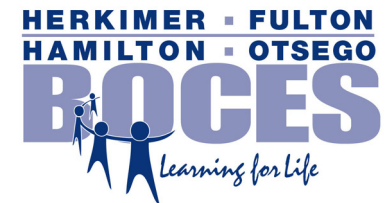
Transition planning, career interest, counseling and nursing services augment the Pathways Academy program to help students with disabilities achieve success.



Students Brittany and Amanda Helmer push a shopping cart as they work at Hannaford in their career awareness class.

Pathways Academy  
at Remington

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# Pathways Academy trail guide ...



Students gather for a photo at the end of a Regional Learning Academy Luncheon. The RLA has become part of the new Pathways Academy. The RLA Luncheon provided students with positive feedback about ways they improved during the school year.

## What does the Pathways Academy offer?

- ▶ A chance to learn with a focus on topics they enjoy. Career-related themes are integrated into classroom instruction. For example, a student interested in farming could learn about agriculture as part of social studies class.
- ▶ Small-group instruction.
- ▶ A chance to identify their own strengths and weaknesses.
- ▶ An opportunity to explore college and careers.
- ▶ The ability to feel connected with their education.

## Credit Recovery/Accrual

- ▶ A full range of New York state certified teachers provide rigorous curricula for both credit recovery and accrual purposes.
- ▶ Students are able to work at their own pace with academic coordination, delivery, instruction and support.
- ▶ With flexible class times and individualized and differentiated instruction, a comprehensive program is provided with a superior blend of instruction.

### **Most successful students in the Pathways Academy:**

... can be successful with grade-level academic work; are goal-oriented to graduate from high school; have a number of risk factors; learn best in a non-traditional setting; have minor behavioral challenges; and can maintain a level of self control.

## Career Clusters

The Pathways Academy infuses content into the following 16 career clusters:

- ▶ Agriculture, food and natural resources
- ▶ Architecture and construction
- ▶ Arts, A/V, technology and communications
- ▶ Business management and administration
- ▶ Education and training
- ▶ Finance
- ▶ Government and public administration
- ▶ Health science
- ▶ Hospitality and tourism
- ▶ Human services
- ▶ Information technology
- ▶ Law, public safety, corrections and security
- ▶ Manufacturing
- ▶ Marketing
- ▶ Science, technology, engineering and mathematics
- ▶ Transportation, distribution and logistics

## Career and Technical Education Programs

Under the umbrella of the 16 career clusters, Herkimer BOCES offers the following career and technical education programs:

- ▶ Automotive technology
- ▶ Broadcast occupations
- ▶ Building construction
- ▶ Collision repair
- ▶ Cosmetology
- ▶ Criminal justice
- ▶ Culinary and hospitality
- ▶ Early childhood education
- ▶ Health occupations
- ▶ Information Technology Academy
- ▶ Natural Resource Management
- ▶ Outdoor power equipment
- ▶ Visual communications
- ▶ Welding



The Pathways Academy at Remington is located in the former Remington Elementary School at 77 E. North St. in Ilion.

### **Academic programs:**

The Pathway Academy provides core academics (mathematics, science, English and social studies) plus art, music, physical education, middle and high school curriculum, preparation for Regents exams, academic intervention services and enrichment.

### **Support Services:**

Support services include development of student self-esteem; the opportunity for students to increase pro-social skills and appropriate behavioral skills; enhanced counseling services; behavior intervention; and strong communication between home and school.