

# Career Academies



### **OUR GOAL:**

Develop high school level academies that tap into student interests and passions while informing on the possibilities that exist post graduation.

#### WHEN WE SUCCEED IN 2025:

- An academy structure will provide students with opportunities to specialize in a variety of career and college pathways
- SBSD Academy programs will serve as a model for what is possible in secondary education for learners with passions and interests across a wide spectrum and varied futures.

WHY THIS MATTERS: Exposing students to a wider variety of high interest learning opportunities and choices will open doors to diverse educational pathways.

#### **INITIAL IDEAS AND ACTIONS:**

- Review/research current Career Technical Education (CTE) models and programs in the State.
- Identify where the district is already strong and ready to move in the direction of an academy structure
- Investigate the kinds of potential academies and vocational type programs
- Identify potential Community Partnerships School Partnerships (e.g. - Devry, NJIT)
- Learn from current and former students about their passions and interests in order to identify possible academy designs.



## Timeline and Next Steps

Research/Discovery
Transition Period
Implementing

SY 2019-2020 (July - December) SY 2019-2020 (January - June)

SY 2020-2021

SY 2021-2022

2019-2020: Investigate options for career pathways SY 2020 - 2021: Test a few of the investigated options

SY 2021 - 2022: Continue to expand pathways offered in SBSD