

**2024-2025**

**ACCELERATED LEARNING ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATION**

*Patrick J. DiPaolo Student Success Center*

**@ EMERSON-GRIDLEY**

**816 N. Park Ave., Erie, PA 16502 - 814-874-6450**

*The Accelerated Learning Academy is an online and project-based program for students who should be in 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade, and are behind on their credits. Students will come into Emerson-Gridley daily to receive support from content teachers and to complete project based requirements. In addition to coming in daily students will need to spend extra time and effort on the on-line platform to be successful in credit recoupment.*

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
HOME SCHOOL ADMININSTRATOR \_\_\_\_\_ COUNSELOR \_\_\_\_\_

TEACHER OF RECORD (if IEP Student) \_\_\_\_\_  
**\*\*An IEP Team meeting must be held before the application submission** (PLEASE PRINT NAME)

**STUDENT INFORMATION**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ STUDENT ID # \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE \_\_\_\_\_ HOMESCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ IEP  YES  NO

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
HOUSE NUMBER STREET CITY STATE ZIP

HOME/CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU HAVE A COMPUTER  YES  NO

DO YOU HAVE HIGH-SPEED INTERNET  YES  NO

SESSION PREFERENCE 8-11 daily  AM 12-3 daily  PM

**PARENT /GUARDIAN INFORMATION**

FULL NAME \_\_\_\_\_ RELATIONSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
HOUSE NUMBER STREET CITY STATE ZIP

HOME/CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

REASON FOR ALA PROGRAM \_\_\_\_\_

- Please read and sign the **Accelerated Learning Code of Conduct**, on the back of this application

ADMINISTRATION USE ONLY

EMERSON-GRIDLEY ADMINISTRATION

APPROVAL  DENIED

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ REASON \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\* RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION TO THE EMERSON-GRIDLEY SCHOOL OFFICE \*\*\***

### **RECOVERY STUDENT**

Strong independent work habits, personal commitment, strong parent support, along with participation, are expected for success. To qualify for entry into the School District of the City of Erie Accelerated Learning Academy, the prospective student must:

- Attend in person **daily**
- Be a member of the current 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup>-grade cohort, but short the credits necessary to graduate on time
- Possess basic computer skills and a working knowledge of the internet
- Work on their subjects and projects outside of school
- Accept all rules associated with the Accelerated Learning Academy, in addition to the EPS Student Handbook
- Sign a School District of the City of Erie Accelerated Learning Academy Application and Code of Conduct

### **ATTENDANCE RULES AND PROGRESS REQUIREMENTS**

Excellent attendance is a non-negotiable expectation of the Accelerated Learning Academy. Students will be assigned to either a morning (8:00 am – 11:00 am) or an afternoon (12:00 noon – 3:00 pm) **session and will be expected to attend every day school is in session.**

1. The Accelerated Learning Academy (ALA) follows the regular attendance policy of the Erie School District. Any absence will require an excuse, or it will be considered an illegal or unexcused absence.
2. Students still of compulsory attendance age who acquire illegal absences will be subject to notices and fines.
3. Students beyond compulsory attendance age will be removed from the rolls upon recording ten (10) consecutive absences.
4. Academic Progress/Credits: Students must maintain a minimum passing grade of 65% in all courses. Partial credit will not be given for incomplete courses. Students have the opportunity to earn at least 8 credits a year.
5. Students who are behind in credits will be expected to increase their rate of class completion in order to graduate with their cohort group. Academic progress will be monitored weekly, progress reports will be mailed quarterly. Students are required to adhere to each online course's academic expectations and to follow the individual academic progress plan established by the District.

### **ACADEMIC DISHONESTY**

Students caught cheating will be removed from the course and will receive a failing grade. Definitions for the term 'cheating' can be found in the Student Handbook. Students removed from a course for cheating will also be removed from the program permanently.

### **STUDENT/PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES**

Online course work is rigorous. In order to recoup lost credits, students must put forth their best effort and are expected to manage their time appropriately in class. Students should work on their courses outside of the school day in addition to daily attendance.

- Students will have access to the online course at all times. Additional course work can also be completed via Internet access at home, at a public library, or anywhere a student can access a Wi-Fi connection to log on to the internet.
- Students will meet three times a quarter with a teacher to set and review goals for course completion and credit recoupment.
- Students are required to abide by all School District of the City of Erie rules regarding behavior, attendance, and academics.
- Students are required to take the Keystone exams and other required exams at PJD Success Center at Emerson-Gridley.

*By signing below, I agree to all the terms and conditions listed above and agree to work a minimum of five (5) hours per day or at least twenty-five (25) hours a week on my courses.*

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*As a parent of an Accelerated Learning Academy student, I agree to monitor the progress of my child daily to assure that they are attending school daily and that they are making satisfactory progress through their assigned courses. I understand that failure to do so may result in the removal of my child from the School District of the City of Erie Accelerated Learning Academy.*

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_