

**CAREER PATHWAYS ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE VILLAGES
CHARTER SCHOOL, INC., FLORIDA and LAKE-SUMTER
STATE COLLEGE
2026-2029**

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This agreement between The School Board of the Villages Charter School, Inc. (VCS) and Lake-Sumter State College (LSSC) provides the opportunity for students in High School Career Pathways (HSCP) Career and Technical Education programs to earn college credit through accelerated mechanisms. LSSC agrees to provide HSCP program completers the opportunity to earn college credit through LSSC's Credit by Exam (CBE) process or Industry Certification based on the following criteria:

I. Eligibility (A or B)

- A. Students actively enrolled in a high school CTE program:** The high school student must be in their last required HSCP program course and have passed any completed HSCP program courses with a grade of C or better and anticipate completing an HSCP program listed in Appendix A.

The Villages Charter School will:

- Provide a transcript for each student and send the LSSC Credit by Exam (CBE) template with the required fields completed to LSSC by the last business day of January for Spring testing and first business day of June for Fall testing for all students anticipating completion or have completed an HSCP program. Late requests will be considered case by case.

LSSC will:

- Schedule the exam and coordinate with the approved proctor for an on-campus or off-campus testing
- Send qualified students the intent to test link to complete the electronic registration form (students will need to complete the form at least two weeks prior to testing)
- Send exam results to the student and archive the results in LSSC's system

OR

- B. Students who've successfully completed an HSCP and graduated from high school:**

The high school student must submit an official high school transcript showing completion of a program listed in Appendix A.

II. Ways to Earn Credit (valid for 24 months)

Option A. Take and pass the LSSC CBE for courses listed on the program pathways pages contained within Appendix A. The student must enroll and attend LSSC after high school graduation or be enrolled in an eligible early college program in order to receive the credit earned by the LSSC CBE. Students may only take the course CBE once; students who do not pass the exam must take the college course to receive course credit.

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OR

Option B. Receive credit for an industry certification(s) earned while enrolled in an HSCP which corresponds to an LSSC program. A list of approved certifications along with the equivalent articulated credit on the program pathways pages contained within Appendix A. If the certification product version is different from the listed industry standard, LSSC faculty will review the certification to determine equivalence.

III. Steps to Award Credit:

- 1.** The student must enroll at LSSC in an aligned program (as detailed in Appendix A) within 24 months of high school graduation.
- 2.** The HSCP program completion must be verified using the official high school transcript or the program certificate and aligned to the selected LSSC program of study.
- 3.** *LSSC will apply the earned postsecondary credit to the aligned program within 24 months of high school graduation upon verifying the CBE results or industry certification. All required documents must be submitted to the LSSC Registrar's Office.
*Note: The course credit will be awarded as long as the course is required for the aligned program

IV. Course Offerings

The Parties understand that the availability of courses listed on the program pathways pages contained within Appendix A may change on an annual basis. Any changes to Appendix A due to program additions, deletions, or modifications will be reviewed by and approved by the respective parties at each institution or school district and can be done annually without the approval of the respective Boards.

V. Modification or Amendment

Except as otherwise outlined in Section IV, this Agreement may be modified or amended only by a written document signed by authorized representatives of the School Board and LSSC.

VI. Data Sharing

Each entity agrees to share student data as needed to facilitate a credit by exam or industry certification opportunity for VCS to earn credit toward an LSSC aligned program.

VII. Term and Termination

This agreement shall be reviewed on a three-year basis and shall be in effect from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029 or until either party terminates this agreement with thirty days written notice.

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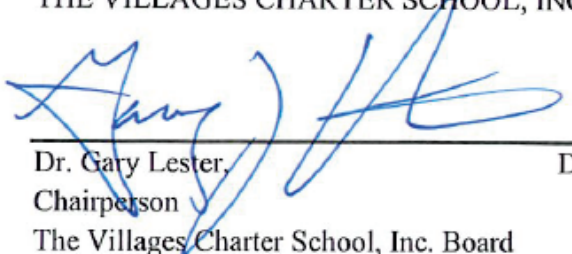
APPROVED:
THE VILLAGES CHARTER SCHOOL, INC.

APPROVED:
Lake-Sumter State College

Signed by:

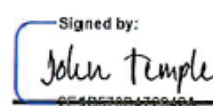
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5/26/2026



Dr. Gary Lester,
Chairperson
The Villages Charter School, Inc. Board

Date



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President

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APPENDIX A – PROGRAM PATHWAYS

Allied Health Assisting (8417130)
Applied Engineering Technology (8401100)
Applied Information Technology (9003400)
Business Management & Analysis (8301100)
Digital Media/Multimedia Design (8201600)
Finance (8815100)

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Program of Study	Course Number and Name	Credits
Allied Health Assisting (8417130)	8417100 Health Science Anatomy & Physiology	1
	8417110 Health Science Foundations	1
	8417131 Allied Health Assisting 3	1

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OPTION A: Earn *College Credit through Career Pathways* by taking and passing the LSSC common assessment (Credit by Exam):

Program of Study	Course Number and Name	Credit Hours
AS in Health Services Management POC: Dr. Christopher Sargent	HSC 1531 Medical Terminology	3
CCC in Medical Information Coder/Biller CCC in Health Care Services Specialist	HSC 1531 Medical Terminology	3

OPTION B: Earn *College Credit through Industry Certification*: Students obtaining the following industry certifications(s) will be awarded credit in the specified program for the postsecondary course(s) listed below:

Program of Study	Industry Certification	Course Number and Name	Credit Hours
AS in Health Services Management	NATHA009 Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA)	HSC 1531 Medical Terminology HSA 2940 Internship: Health Sciences Management	3 1
	NATHA006 Certified Patient Care Technician (PCT)	HSC 1531 Medical Terminology	3
CCC in Medical Information Coder/Biller	NATHA009 Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA)	HSC 1531 Medical Terminology	3
	NATHA006 Certified Patient Care Technician (PCT)	HSC 1531 Medical Terminology	3

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Program of Study	Course Number and Name	Credits
Applied Engineering Technology (8401100)	8401110 Applied Engineering Technology I	1
	8401120 Applied Engineering Technology II	1
	8401130 Applied Engineering Technology III	1

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Program of Study	Course Number and Name	Credit Hours
AS in Engineering Technology CCC in Engineering Technology Support Specialist CCC in Advanced Manufacturing POC: Jeff Light	ETD 1320C Introduction to AutoCAD	3

OPTION B. Earn *College Credit through Industry Certification*: Students obtaining the following industry certifications(s) will be awarded credit in the specified program for the postsecondary course(s) listed below:

Program of Study	Industry Certification	Course Number and Name	Credit Hours
AS in Engineering Technology	ADESK032 Autodesk Certified User - Fusion 360	ETD 1320C Introduction to AutoCAD	3
CCC in Engineering Technology Support Specialist			
CCC in Advanced Manufacturing			

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Program of Study	Course Number and Name	Credits
Applied Information Technology (9003400)	8207310 Digital Business Foundations	1
	9003430 IT Systems & Applications	1
	9003410 Computer Fundamentals	1
	9003450 Programming Essentials	1
	Students must successfully complete at least three courses in the high school program to earn a certificate of completion.	

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Program of Study	Course Number and Name	Credit Hours
AS in Computer Information Technology POC: Dr. Christopher Sargent	COP 1000 Introduction to Programming (program elective)	3
	COP 1220 Introduction to Programming in C (program elective)	3
	CTS 1138C PC Hardware and Operating Systems (A+)	3
AS in Applied Artificial Intelligence POC: Dr. Christopher Sargent	COP 1000 Introduction to Programming	3
	CTS 1138C PC Hardware and Operating Systems (A+)	3
AS in Cybersecurity CCC in Cybersecurity Analyst POC: Dr. Christopher Sargent	COP 1000 Introduction to Programming	3
CCC in Information Technology Analysis CCC in Information Technology Support Specialist POC: Dr. Christopher Sargent	CTS 1138C PC Hardware and Operating Systems (A+)	3

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Program of Study	Industry Certification	Course Number and Name	Credit Hours
AS Computer Information Technology AS in Applied Artificial Intelligence CCC in Information Technology Analysis CCC in Information Technology Support Specialist	CERTI009 Information Technology Specialist (ITS) - Device Configuration and Management	CTS 1138C PC Hardware and Operating Systems (A+)	3
AS Computer Information Technology AS in Applied Artificial Intelligence AS in Cybersecurity CCC in Artificial Intelligence Practitioner CCC in Cybersecurity Analyst CCC in Information Technology Analysis CCC in Information Technology Support Specialist	COMPT018 CompTIA Tech+	CGS 1000 Introduction to Information Technology	3
AS in Cybersecurity AS in Applied Artificial Intelligence CCC in Cybersecurity Analyst	CERTI012 Information Technology Specialist (ITS) – Python	COP 1000 Introduction to Programming	3

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Program of Study	Course Number and Name	Credits
Business Management & Analysis (8301100)	8207310 Digital Business Foundations	1
	8203310 Accounting Applications I	1
	8215120 Business & Entrepreneurial Principles	1

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Program of Study	Course Number and Name	Credits
AS in Business Administration POC: Dr. Christopher Sargent	ACG 2021 Financial Accounting	3
CCC in Business Management CCC in Business Operations POC: Dr. Christopher Sargent	ACG 2021 Financial Accounting	3

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Program of Study	Industry Certification	Course Number and Name	Credit Hours
AS in Business Administration	INTUT001 QuickBooks Certified User	APA 2144 Introduction to QuickBooks	3
AS in Business Administration	INTUT002 Entrepreneurship and Small Business Certification	ENT 1000 Introduction to Entrepreneurship	3
		GEB 1011 Introduction to Business	3
CCC in Business Management CCC in Business Operations CCC in Business Specialist	INTUT002 Entrepreneurship and Small Business Certification	GEB 1011 Introduction to Business	3

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Program of Study	Course Number and Name	Credits
Digital Media/Multimedia Design (8201800)	8201210 Digital Media/Multimedia Foundations 1	1
	8201810 Digital Media/Multimedia Print Production	1
	8201610 Digital Media/Multimedia Web Production	1
	8201620 Digital Media/Multimedia Motion Graphics Production	1
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Program of Study	Course Number and Name	Credits Hours
AS in Digital Media Creative Video Production CCC in Digital Media Production POC: Andrew Hernandez	DIG 2109C Digital Imaging Fundamentals	3
	DIG 2000C Introduction to Digital Media & Design	3
CCC in Digital Media Video Production	DIG 2000C Introduction to Digital Media & Design	3

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Program of Study	Course Number and Name	Credits
Finance (8815100)	8207310 Digital Business Foundations	1
	8203310 Accounting Applications 1	1
	8815420 Personal Finance	1
	8815110 Economics & Financial Services	1
	8815130 Financial Internship	1
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AS in Business Administration POC: Dr. Christopher Sargent	ACG 2021 Financial Accounting	3
CCC in Business Management CCC in Business Operations POC: Dr. Christopher Sargent	ACG 2021 Financial Accounting	3

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AS in Business Administration	INTUT001 QuickBooks Certified User	APA 2144 Introduction to QuickBooks	3
	INTUT002 Entrepreneurship and Small Business Certification	ENT 1000 Introduction to Entrepreneurship	3
		GEB 1011 Introduction to Business	3

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	INTUT003 Master Entrepreneurship Certification	ENT 1000 Introduction to Entrepreneurship	3
	INTUT004 Intuit Certified Bookkeeping Professional	QMB 1001 Business Mathematics	3
CCC in Business Management CCC in Business Operations CCC in Business Specialist	INTUT002 Entrepreneurship and Small Business Certification	GEB 1011 Introduction to Business	3
CCC in Business Management CCC in Business Operations	INTUT004 Intuit Certified Bookkeeping Professional	QMB 1001 Business Mathematics	3