

ImagineIT Academy

An Academy of Academic, Career, and Self-Exploration

Academy Description

ImagineIT Academy is designed for students interested in a 21st Century Education with an emphasis on Career Pathways. The ImagineIT team believes that a rigorous, project-based curriculum best prepares students for a successful transition into both college and career. ImagineIT teachers partner closely with the Career Technical Education (CTE) team to ensure that all ImagineIT students enroll in one of the many career pathways offered at Venture. This focus on real-world preparation and hands-on exploration extends into core curriculum as well, creating an environment that is challenging and engaging for all academy students.

ImagineIT Mission Statement

Our mission is to provide an innovative, project-based learning environment, challenging students to embrace multiple pathways and career exploration. ImagineIT students will become independent thinkers, self-disciplined problem solvers, and involved members of their community.

ImagineIT Guiding Beliefs

We believe, as life-long learners:

- 1 A successful school culture must be dedicated to critical thinking and hands-on exploration.
- 2 Every student can learn when the environment is comprised of teachers, parents, students and their peers caring for one another.
- 3 Learning is a process and can be expressed and measured in multiple ways.
- 4 Each student brings his/her own reality to the classroom, making learning a relevant, enriching experience for the individual and the class as a whole.
- 5 Teaching and learning require flexibility and risk.

ImagineIT's Pathway Requirement

ImagineIT Academy is dedicated to multiple pathways. We strive to prepare our students for success in both college and career (including university, community college, trade school/apprenticeship programs, the military, direct entry into the workforce, etc). In keeping with this mission, after participating in the CTE rotation as freshmen, ALL ImagineIT students are expected to select a pathway of focus at the beginning of their 10th grade year. Their selected pathway will help to guide their education throughout high school as well as enrich their preparedness for life post-graduation.

Pathway options include:

- One of the Career Technical Education (CTE) pathways offered at Venture Academy (including Mechanical Construction/Welding, Residential/Commercial Construction, Manufacturing, Graphic Design, Video Productions, Dance, and Culinary)



- The University pathway (including AVID and A-G coursework)



- The Art pathway (including Art Essentials, Advanced Art, Art Studio and Art for Careers)



**Please note: students may select more than one pathway if scheduling permits*