

Established 2016
Class of 2026
(Cohort 8)

Sampling of Post-Academy Colleges

Caldwell University Charleston Southern University Coastal Carolina University Embry- Riddle Aeronautical Institute Fairleigh Dickinson University Georgian Court University Indiana University of PA Institute of Culinary Education of NYC Kean University Monmouth University Nova Southeastern University Purdue University Ramapo College

Rider University Rowan University Rutgers University Rutgers University-New Brunswick State University of New York-Delhi Stockton University The College of New Jersey The University of Tampa The University of Virginia University of Albany **University of Vermont** Virginia Tech Virginia Wesleyan University Widener University

Past Student Student Testimonials

"The teachers of both of these classes are supportive and make the topic you're studying enjoyable and interesting. They are easy to get help from and compare what you are learning to real life experiences."

"I get a rare opportunity, learn more as a student, and feel as though I have more of a purpose than just being in high school."

"Getting close with your classmates and getting ahead of everyone else."

"My professor taught Environmental Science in a way that opened my eyes completely to the world around me. It contains knowledge that every individual should know whether you want to go into a science field or not."

Lacey College Academy Enrollment

Class of 2021 (Cohort 3) 33 Graduates

Class of 2022 (Cohort 4) 31 Graduates

Class of 2023 (Cohort 5) 33 Graduates Class of 2025 (Cohort 7)
29 Currently enrolled

Class of 2024 (Cohort 6) 28 Currently enrolled Class of 2026 (Cohort 8)

This could be you!



Lacey College Academy Benefits

- Ease of scheduling
 - During LTHS day
 - OCC campus opportunities with transportation
- Cohort Model
 - Shared experience
- Access to Lacey/OCC resources
- Time!
- Money
 - Opportunity to minimize personal student debt



Student Debt Crisis

Taking care of Our Future Selves
CNBC News

With approximately \$1.4 trillion of outstanding debt, student loans are now the second-largest category of household debt in the U.S., trailing only home loans.

Over the past 20 years, college costs have grown at over three times the rate of inflation. The result: 70% of college graduates have student debt, with the average borrower owing more than \$37,000 at graduation.

Financial Benefit

School	School Type	Full Time Tuition for 2 Years
LTHS - OCC Academy	Community	\$6,300* (Discounted Tuition)
Ocean County College (Post HS Graduation)	Community	\$10,500*
Rowan University	State	\$20,152*
Rutgers University	State	\$24,460*
Monmouth University	Private	\$77,760*

^{*}Tuition amounts retrieved from institution websites and should be considered estimates.

Lacey College Academy Support

College Academy High School Advisor: Mrs. Rand

- Counselor to assist and support students
- Future Planning & Career Exploration "Naviance"

Advocate for high school students transitioning into college

Assist in scheduling and class communication

Lead Teachers:

- Organizational & Study Skills
- Time and Stress Management
- Motivation, Leadership, and Teams
- Canvas & Learning Technology
- Presentation Skills
- Email & Electronic Etiquette
- Dressing for Success
- Accountability



Lacey College Academy Courses

Associate in Liberal Arts: Course Sequence

Designed for any student transferring to a four-year College or University.

See this linked document for an <u>example of a Junior/Senior Year Schedule!</u>



Registration & Advising with OCC Mrs. Schardien - Dr. Jackson - Mrs. Lori Crimmins

- 1. Individual Advising Sessions Each Semester
- 2. Student Planning
- 3. Graduation Audit
- 4. Collegiate supportive semester workshops:
 Stress Management, Technology, Transfer, Social, etc.
- 5. Available at OCC campus or LTHS

Frequently Asked Questions:

Would I apply to colleges/universities as a Freshman or a Transfer?

You will apply as a Freshman to most colleges, even though you have 60 credits/Associates degree, you are eligible for scholarships and Financial Aid. You will be eligible for freshman student housing and scholarships.

Is there a test to be considered for the LTHS-OCC College Academy?

Students transcripts are audited and a meeting with your counselor to determine the best and most appropriate pathway for you to pursue in your Junior year. LTHS requires that you sit for the Accuplacer test.

How does this affect the NJ Stars Program?

Students are eligible for Tier 2, but not Tier 1.



New Jersey - Lampitt Law (Transfer Law)

New Jersey has a state-wide agreement to assist students with transfer from a community college to a 4-year public institution. Under the <u>Lampitt Law</u>, community college students who complete an AA or AS degree will receive credit for all courses successfully completed towards their bachelors degree.

- The law only covers students who graduate with a two year degree from a New Jersey county college.
- The law does not guarantee acceptance to college. Students must still apply and be granted admission, which can be competitive and require specific coursework and/or GPA (e.g. business, teaching, and engineering, among other programs).
- Ultimately, the acceptance and application of credits is determined by the receiving institution of higher learning.

Important Resource Links

<u>Tuition Payment</u>	Withdrawing	<u>Kean Ocean</u>	NJIT & OCC
<u>Plan</u>	<u>& Refunds</u>		Partnership
Transfer Transcript Request	NJ Transfer Assists with choosing courses carefully for your degree program. The "Transfer Programs" function is best suited for student planning.	Career Coach (OCC)	<u>Lacey College</u> <u>Academy</u> <u>Counselor</u>

Next Steps

- Complete <u>this application</u>, which will be emailed to all sophomores and parents this evening.
- Parent Commitment Letter to Guidance by March 1
- For further questions or interest please contact:
 Mrs. Margaret Rand
 LTHS Counselor & College Academy Advisor
- Specific questions about Ocean County College please contact:
 Mrs. Elaine Schardien

Assistant Director of Academic Success, Ocean County College

Thank you for your time!

QR Code for Application

