

ALPHA

(Academic & Life Skills Program of Higher Achievement)



ABOUT ALPHA

The Academic & Life Skills Program of Higher Achievement is a program designed to provide instruction and support to assist students in the successful completion of vocational training or other postsecondary education.

The ALPHA program at Carl D. Perkins Vocational Training Center serves to help students in transitioning into a college or vocational school.

ALPHA aids the transition process by means of the following:

Expectations & Requirements

While on the job, you will be expected to display the following traits at all times:

- Punctuality and dependability
- Attention to detail and accuracy
- Cooperation
- Ability to actively listen
- Capacity to communicate effectively
- Self-control

- Increasing academic levels to attend college.
- Providing support and tutoring while attending college.
- Offering education for students who need developmental classes (i.e. zero level classes).
- Assisting in financial aid preparation and college enrollment.

Students may stay at the Center while attending college or vocational training off campus.

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How ALPHA can help you attend college...

ALPHA is an educationally-designed program that encourages its participants to seek further education by attending a post-secondary institution while residing on the Carl D. Perkins campus. Assistance may be provided by means of testing, education, and financial aid planning.

All students are assessed to determine reading and math skills: Students will participate in classes at CDPVTC to improve these skills as required. Students will attend math, reading, and ALPHA classes daily as part of their training program. Referrals will be made on an individual basis.

ALPHA serves to aid individuals in entering college or vocational training, so they may succeed as productive members of society.

Entrance Requirements for ALPHA

- Individuals must have a 6th grade or higher academic level in reading and math.
- Individuals must have the desire for higher education.

Length of the ALPHA Program

Students will remain in ALPHA until:

1.) The instructors feel that sufficient progress has been made for entrance into a college or vocational training program.

2.) CDPVTC case manager, field counselor, and ALPHA instructors agree on placement in a college or vocational training program.

For additional information regarding the post-secondary programs offered at BSCTC, please visit their website at:

<http://bigsandy.kctcs.edu>

Please note that with the addition of ancillary services as well as individual pace, student completion timelines will vary.



Accommodations

If necessary, students may attend remedial classes in math and reading at CDPVTC to improve their skill levels in those areas. A wide range of accommodations are provided for CDPVTC consumers. In addition to these accommodations, other arrangements may be made on an individual basis.

Prior to Attending College, you must...

- Complete a simulated college course.
- Complete a college preparatory class.
- Meet entrance requirements for college entrance test scores.
- Have financial arrangements in place. Consumers are responsible for paying BSCTC tuition costs.

Student Progress

- Oral Testing (knowledge and performance)
- Written Tests
- Observation
- Progress Reports
- Performance Tasks

