

Escambia Charter School Closes!

For the past twenty-two years Escambia Charter School has been dedicated to the mission of providing an alternative high school learning environment. Unfortunately, at the end of the 2017-2018 school year, Escambia Charter School will close. Over the last six years, student enrollment has been low and it has been a struggle financially for the school. Due to this continued low enrollment, it is not fiscally responsible to keep the school open. The entire staff, teachers and board members are saddened. It has been an honor and a privilege to participate in the education of the students that have attended Escambia Charter School.

The graduation for the 2017-2018 school year will be held on May 22 in the University of West Florida's Conference Center, Building 22. The graduation ceremony will start at 6:30 p.m. This year, Escambia Charter School required a second chance to get their priorities in line. Under the leadership of Principal Taravell McKinnies and previous principal and administrator, Jerome Chisolm, the staff and teachers have worked diligently with those students who wanted to succeed and helped them focus on getting to the next level.

Escambia Charter has also been a bridge for students who needed to improve their grade point average. Escambia Charter is a small school with a lower student to teacher ratio. Smaller classes have been an integral part of our success. Everything a student needed to graduate or get back on track, was available to them at Escambia Charter School.

The Escambia County School District's Department of Alternative Education will assist in the placement of current students enrolled in Escambia Charter. Placement of students for the 2018-2019 school year will be determined based on grade level, GPA, and age. The goal is to place all students in an environment in which he/she can be successful.

Escambia Charter School will be missed not only by the students and parents, but by the faculty and stakeholders that have worked so hard to educate the students that have come through the doors. It has not always been easy, but it was always worth it. Escambia Charter School would like to thank the community for the support and encouragement that has been given over the last twenty-two years.

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