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iCademy Global believes our students should be interacting with their community. Our students will grow academically and as people by interacting with peers, adults, coaches, instructors, teachers, and leaders – these networks are incredibly valuable to our students long-term. The program will encourage students to partner with experts and experiences in their own community. Community Passport will provide students with educational choice, engagement, academic growth, and new relationships.

EXAMPLES:

1. Place-Based Partnerships – Outdoor Discovery Center, Protégé Game Studios, iCademy Robotics
2. Community Courses – CHOICE of Music lessons, PE activities or Art classes - from horseback riding to rock climbing, dance, gymnastics, ukulele lessons, guitar lessons, voice lessons, pottery, painting, cartooning and so much more

Who Can Apply?

Any K-12 student enrolled at iCademy who needs elective credits in their course schedule.

What are My Options?

- **K-5** – Physical Education, Outdoor Discovery Center Class
- **MS** – Physical Education, Art, Music, Protégé Game Studios
- **HS** – Physical Education, Art, Protégé Game Studios, HS Robotics

Please see the [complete list](#) of approved Community Passport Partners for ideas and information about what each partner offers..

What Should I Expect?

- Expect your child to have fun and explore new experiences
- You should see relationships and friendships being forged and students excited to attend
- Students will build confidence and feel like they have a voice in their learning
- More positive attitude about school and growth in all academic areas

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What Should You Plan For?

- **Plan Ahead** – understand your choices and do some research. Make sure the experience will be quality and you know all the details ahead of time
- **Application Process** – take your time to fill out the application, then submit
- **Sign up** - be sure to sign up for the experience with your preferred partner and let them know you will be taking the class with iCademy Global.
- **Application Review** – the Community Passport Coordinator will review the application and work directly with the partner to make sure the application is able to be approved
- **Enrollment** – once approved you will be contacted and enrolled in a parallel online course. Remaining online expectations are based on the frequency and duration of the experience
- **Attendance** – you'll be expected to attend this experience for the duration of what you signed up for AND submit an attendance log to receive full credit and in order to receive the instructional reimbursement
- **Reimbursement** – students are eligible for instructional reimbursement up to \$300 each semester if they attend and pass the class. We will work directly with the community partner to handle the payment.
- **Final Grades** – student grades will be based on their engagement in the experience as well as their participation in the supplemental online content

FAQ

How will my child be graded? *Your child will be graded based upon attendance, participation, attendance logs and submitting content to the online portion of the class. The amount of online content is dependent on the amount of time engaged in the community activity. (more time in the activity = less online coursework; lower time in the community = more online coursework).*

Can I skip the online part? *-Unfortunately, you cannot. The attendance logs are a key part of how we communicate to the MDE your child's frequency of participation.*

Can I "bank" the reimbursement? *Unfortunately, no. The money is meant to reduce barriers for students to learn in this way, and the money needs to be spent on the child's education during this semester enrolled in the activity.*

What if I decide to leave the program, the school or do not pass the class? *The family will be responsible for a portion or all of the money owed or paid to the community partner. The program is meant to be for instructional purposes. Without the instructional component, poor attendance with the community partner, or passing grades we cannot reimburse the community partner.*

Can I apply the money toward an iCademy Capstone Travel Experience? *No, iCademy Global already contributes a large amount of money towards each student's Capstone Travel Experience to make the opportunity as affordable to as many students as possible. It is now possible for you student to participate in both a Community Passport elective AND a Capstone Travel Experience.*

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