

How Do I Enroll My Child?

Enrollment Process for the Middle School and High School Refocus Programs is the same:

1) Initial Permission Granted

The FCPS School Board or Superintendent / Designee must grant your child permission to access the Refocus Program. You will be informed of the decision by phone and by letter.

2) Southeastern Administrator will call you.

The Office of Student Services informs Southeastern Administration about potential new students. The **principal or asst. principal will contact you** to set up an informative Intake Meeting. Intakes are held every Friday during the school year.

3) Intake Meeting

If you are interested in learning more about the program, meeting staff, and enrolling your child—**an Intake Meeting is required.** Intake meetings are held every Friday during the school year so newly enrolled students can start classes at the beginning of the following week.

4) Statement of Understanding

During the intake meeting, you and your child will be required to sign *Statement of Understanding* and *General Program Rules* forms. The Statement outlines **attendance, academic, behavioral, and counseling expectations** your child must meet or exceed in order to be considered for readmission. If parents agree to enrollment, a start date is then determined. A new Emergency Card is also required prior to student's first day.

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These are programs of **choice** requiring interested students and / or parents to sign a Statement of Understanding.

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Southeastern Alternative School
Grades 6 - 12

The Refocus Programs



“The sum of a child’s worth is greater than any mistake he or she will ever make.”

-Author Unknown

Middle School Grades 6 - 8

High School Grades 9 - 12

**Southeastern Alternative
School**

What are the Refocus Programs at Southeastern?

The Refocus Programs at Southeastern Alternative School are available for **Fauquier County students in grades 6 –12 whom have been long-term suspended or expelled from their base schools**. The FCPS School Board decides which students are granted special access to this unique educational opportunity. *This program is not made available to all students on suspension or expulsion.*

Purpose

The purpose of the Refocus Programs is provide a **safe school environment where students on disciplinary restriction may continue to complete courses required for promotion and graduation** by using our accredited, **online** curriculum . Additionally, these programs are designed to establish positive educational and behavior experiences for students to use when reporting back to the School Board when being considered for readmission to FCPS at the end of their disciplinary sanctions. The primary areas of concern are attendance, academic achievement, behavior, and counseling (*as appropriate*).

There are two sections of The Refocus Programs— **Middle School Refocus** for students in grades 6 - 8; and **High School Refocus** for students in grades 9– 12. These programs are described in more detail in this brochure.



Middle School Refocus Program—Grades 6 -8

What does a normal day look like?

Arrival—	7:10am to 7:25am (Breakfast served)
Daily Classes—	7:30am to 1:36pm (Lunch served)
Dismissal—	1:36pm

Middle School students follow a year-long schedule which includes required classes: English, Science, Civics or World Geography, Pre-Algebra or Algebra and a rotating Activities period. While the majority of coursework will be completed **online at-school**, teachers are expected to supplement lessons with additional activities, assessments, and remediation as necessary. Teachers are always available to assist students through their courses providing structured due dates, review sessions, and 1:1 instruction as needed. *Special education services are provided as outlined in students' IEPs.*

High School Refocus Program—Grades 9 - 12

What does a normal day look like?

Arrival—	1:45pm
Online Classes—	1:45—4:30pm (No food allowed; H2O only)
Dismissal—	4:30pm

High School students have the potential to earn four (4) credits per term. Students are assigned core courses; two (2) during each 9-week period, as appropriate for their grade level and for credit recovery. Core courses include English, Science, Algebra, Geometry, History / Government. Electives are available, but selection is limited. Students are expected to attend classes daily and maintain excellent attendance. The majority of work will be completed **online at school**, however, students are also expected to work at home on Fridays in order to ensure course completion by due dates. Teachers are always available to assist students through their courses providing structured due dates, review sessions, and 1:1 instruction as needed. *Special education services are provided as outlined in students' IEPs.*

General Program Information

- >**Calendar** - Refocus Programs follow FCPS calendar.
- >**Cell Phones** - are allowed on school property but must be turned off and put away during classtime. Violations will be subject to disciplinary actions.
- >**Dress Code** - Students are expected to follow the FCPS Code of Conduct dress code daily.
- >**Food / Drinks** - (High School only) Students may bring a bottle of unopened water. No other food or drink is allowed.
- >**Lockers** - Students are assigned lockers to keep their personal belonging.
- >**Progress Reports** - completed weekly and emailed to parents. These reports contain information regarding your child's progress academically, attendance, and classroom behavior.
- >**Personal Music Devices** - (High School only) Students may bring a PMD with personal headphones and may listen to music while completing online courses. Downloading music and sharing PMD w/ other students is prohibited.
- >**Transportation** - provided for all enrolled students (unless otherwise restricted by the School Board).

Statement of Understanding

Parents and students interested in enrolling in the Refocus Programs are **required** to sign a *Statement of Understanding*.

This contract outlines the specific expectations students must **meet or exceed** before readmission to FCPS and final return to the base school is considered. Students must also receive recommendation from Southeastern administration. Generally, students are expected to pass all classes with "C" or better, maintain excellent attendance, have zero (0) disciplinary infractions, and participate in all counseling / screening sessions (*as mandated by School Board*).