Interview Process and Essay Information

Interview

• Students who apply will be contacted after review for possible interviews here at the Academy for Developing Entrepreneurs in either late January or Early February. Students will also be given the opportunity to choose between writing an essay, or coming up with a "pitch" for the day of their interview.

Option 1: The Essay Challenge

We are requesting that prospective students who apply come to their interview with a writing sample. We ask that in no more than 500 words, students choose one of the following prompts to answer.

- 1) If you could start a business with no restrictions or limitations, what type of business would you start and why?
- 2) Describe a current product that you currently own (ex. a cell phone) and how you could improve it and make it better?
- 3) Your choice: Identify a problem of your choice and identify a possible solution that you could sell to others and make money from.

If possible, please bring a printed copy of your essay with you to your interview. If that is not possible, please email your essay to joseph_farrell@ccpsnet.net prior to your interview.

Option 2: Pitch Yourself

We are requesting that if students choose not to do the writing sample, that they instead "pitch" themselves to us shark tank style. The focus for this pitch should be on *why you would be the perfect fit for our program*. Emphasis should be on your talents, skills, interests, strengths, and should answer why you want to pursue entrepreneurship.

The pitch itself should be between 1-2 minutes. Please consider searching for resources on how to do an elevator pitch, watch some examples, and practice before your interview!

Admission

Those students who are chosen for admission to the Meadowbrook Academy for Developing Entrepreneurs will be notified by mail. If you have any questions about the admissions process, feel free to contact us or visit our website and choose the admissions tab for more information!