



**14-22**  
Ages of students



Comprehensive high school offering:

- academics
- social emotional learning
- vocational



Open enrollment policy

## About Us

Walsh Academy is an award-winning, innovative school that is student-focused and provides a unique and collaborative environment.

In November 2023, the school moved to its new location in Niles, IL. as Charles H. Walsh Sr. Academy & Career Tech High School. Under its new name, it continues Maryville Jen School's founding vision of preparing diverse learners to enter high-demand trades and be college-ready for a successful future.

Walsh Academy offers students ages 14-22 a comprehensive curriculum that includes academics, integrated social-emotional learning and career technical instruction.

Through strong partnerships with school districts, contractors, union organizations and businesses, the Walsh Academy students are able to secure internships and job opportunities in their communities.



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**Experiencing education  
through respectful reciprocity**



**CHARLES H. WALSH SR.**  
ACADEMY & CAREER TECH HIGH SCHOOL

# Why Walsh Academy

Walsh Academy is the first school of its kind in Illinois, perhaps the country, that focuses on preparing diverse learners to enter high-demand, high-paying jobs in the trades.

It is unique for these reasons:

- Trauma-informed, holistic educational model
- The project-based instructional delivery model
- Advanced technology lab
- Extensive transition/vocational training program
- Student-driven reintegration plan
- Transition and life skills classrooms
- Student service learning opportunities
- School and enrichment activities including community-based field trips, experience working in the garden and greenhouse



# What we offer



## Career Technical Education

- Carpentry & Woodworking
- Culinary Arts/Agriculture
- HVAC
- Health Science
- Computer Tech
- Podcast and Video Production
- Information Technology/ 3D Printing



## Future CTE Programs

- Drafting/Computer-aided Design
- Electrical
- Plumbing
- Printshop/Screenprinting
- Small Engine and Bike Repair
- Welding

Students in grades 9-12 and those who are transitioning receive instructions from like-age students in self-contained classrooms.

- It offers 12 academic classrooms and 10 CTE classrooms.
- Every classroom is staffed with a special education teacher, a paraprofessional and a social worker/counselor.
- It received the School of Excellence Award from the National Association of Special Education Teachers for 10 consecutive years.

The Walsh Academy curriculum is aligned with Illinois and Common Core Learning Standards.

