

Space Coast Jr. Sr. High School
9th Grade Application
Viper Accelerated Program

2024-2025

Parent Instruction Page

It is with great pleasure to offer the HS Viper Accelerated Program. It will be open to all rising 9th graders who meet the criteria. This is for students who have not been in the middle school VAP program. We have a few openings in 9th grade. This program will assist those students who are committed to securing a pathway to the university level courses in high school. The High School VAP AP Diploma program requires these students to commit to fulfilling the Capstone Diploma requirements or Collegiate AA requirements. Students must begin taking the first Advanced Placement course in 9th grade.

The following pages are to be completed by the applicant, parent(s) and teachers. The items are to be forwarded along to Space Coast Jr. Sr. High School, attention: Kimberly Petronella. The application packet must be submitted in its entirety by March 14, 2024.

The COMPLETED paperwork and documentation should be enclosed in a large envelope and be returned to:
Space Coast JSHS, 6150 Banyan St. Cocoa, FL 32927 Attn. Kimberly Petronella, VAP Lead Teacher.

Students applying should have:

- A level 3 or above in both reading and math on the FAST or the two highest levels of End of Course exams
- Students must also have at least a minimum 3.00 GPA and maintain this throughout all 4 years.
- 9th grade applicants must have completed Algebra 1 Honors and passed the Algebra I EOC.

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS March 14, 2024.

All items must be turned in by the deadline for the application to be considered on time. Applications received or completed after the deadline will be considered as space allows.

The application will be considered complete when the following items are returned to SCJSHS:

1. Student Application Page
2. Most current 8th grade report card
3. The three teacher recommendations signed across the sealed flap by the person completing it.
8th grade teacher recommendations required from:
 - Current math teacher
 - Current language arts teacher
 - Current science or social studies teacher
4. A hand-written paragraph explaining how the student will bring value to VAP

**SCJSHS 2024-2025
Student Application Page**

Please Type or Print:

NAME: _____
Last First Middle Nickname

ADDRESS: _____
Street City Zip code

TELEPHONE: _____
Home Work (Mother/Guardian) Work (Father/Guardian)

Has student ever attended a Brevard County Public School? ___ YES ___ NO
School currently attending: _____

Parent names (please print) Father (guardian) _____
Mother (guardian) _____

Attached are the required recommendation forms. Please distribute the forms to the appropriate school personnel:

- Current math teacher
- Current language arts teacher
- Current science or social studies teacher

The completed paperwork is to be returned to Mrs. Kimberly Petronella c/o Space Coast Jr./Sr. High School, 6150 Banyan Street Cocoa, FL 32927

All items must be turned in by the deadline for the application to be considered on time. Applications received or completed after the deadline will be considered as space allows.

Incomplete applications cannot be evaluated. Your application will be considered complete when it contains the following information:

1. Student Application
2. Most current 8th grade report card
3. Three (3) completed recommendation forms sealed in signed envelopes
4. A hand-written paragraph explaining how the student will bring value to VAP

DEADLINE is March 14, 2024.

I understand the application requirements for this program and give my consent for my child to seek acceptance into the Viper Accelerated Program.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____

SCJSHS CONFIDENTIAL MATH TEACHER RECOMMENDATION

THIS MUST BE SEALED IN AN ENVELOPE WITH EVALUATOR'S SIGNATURE ACROSS THE ENVELOPE FLAP TO VERIFY AND ASSURE CONFIDENTIALITY! **Deadline March 14, 2024**

The Viper Accelerated Program is a gifted/high achieving program with a highly rigorous plan of study. We appreciate your candid evaluation of this student. All recommendations are kept strictly confidential. This completed form should be returned to the student in a sealed envelope with your signature across the envelope flap.

Name of School: _____
 STUDENT NAME: _____
 TEACHER: _____
 SUBJECT: _____

Please use the following rating scale when completing the descriptors for this student:

- 5 = Exhibits this trait to an exceptional degree
- 4 = Exhibits this trait consistently
- 3 = Exhibits this trait frequently
- 2 = exhibits this trait occasionally
- 1 = Exhibits this trait rarely
- 0 = Not observed

Class Level:
 ___Average
 ___Advanced

Skills	5	4	3	2	1	0
Demonstrates strong skills in this subject area						
Works well in group settings, is a team player						
Demonstrates attention to details						
Learns quickly with good retention/does well on tests						
Highly motivated with a positive attitude about learning						
Rarely absent and always punctual						
Is consistent in completing assignments/class work/homework						
Overall has a good work ethic						
Character/Behavior						
A Self-Starter/ Prepared for class						
Shows responsibility/dependability/honesty						
Physically respect; personal space; not verbally aggressive to others						
Demonstrates acceptable classroom behavior conducive to learning/ Expresses opinions in a polite manner. Respectful of others.						

___ Strongly Recommended ___ Recommend
 ___ Recommended with Reservations* ___ Do not Recommend
 *Please comment on the reverse side of this sheet.

The Viper Accelerated Program requires students to work at a very high level. Students must be motivated and enjoy learning. In your opinion, does this student possess the necessary characteristics for successful performance in this program?
 ___ Yes ___ No

Please include ALL other information relevant to the student's potential success or failure in the program (discipline, attendance, etc.). Any additional information is appreciated and may be continued on the reverse side.

On behalf of Space Coast Jr. / Sr. High School, thank you for taking the time to evaluate this student for our program. Do not return to student unless it is in a sealed envelope with your signature across the envelope flap.

Teacher _____ Date _____

SCJSHS CONFIDENTIAL LANGUAGE ARTS TEACHER RECOMMENDATION

THIS MUST BE SEALED IN AN ENVELOPE WITH EVALUATOR'S SIGNATURE ACROSS THE ENVELOPE FLAP TO VERIFY AND ASSURE CONFIDENTIALITY! **March 14, 2024**

The Viper Accelerated Program is a gifted/high achieving program with a highly rigorous plan of study. We appreciate your candid evaluation of this student. All recommendations are kept strictly confidential. This completed form should be returned to the student in a sealed envelope with your signature across the envelope flap.

Name of School: _____
 STUDENT NAME: _____
 TEACHER: _____
 SUBJECT: _____

Please use the following rating scale when completing the descriptors for this student:

- 5 = Exhibits this trait to an exceptional degree
- 4 = Exhibits this trait consistently
- 3 = Exhibits this trait frequently
- 2 = exhibits this trait occasionally
- 1 = Exhibits this trait rarely
- 0 = Not observed

Class Level:
 ___Average
 ___Advanced

Skills	5	4	3	2	1	0
Demonstrates strong skills in this subject area						
Works well in group settings, is a team player						
Demonstrates attention to details						
Learns quickly with good retention/does well on tests						
Highly motivated with a positive attitude about learning						
Rarely absent and always punctual						
Is consistent in completing assignments/class work/homework						
Overall has a good work ethic						
Character/Behavior						
A Self-Starter/ Prepared for class						
Shows responsibility/dependability/honesty						
Physically respect; personal space; not verbally aggressive to others						
Demonstrates acceptable classroom behavior conducive to learning/ Expresses opinions in a polite manner. Respectful of others.						

___ Strongly Recommended ___ Recommend
 ___ Recommended with Reservations* ___ Do not Recommend
 *Please comment on the reverse side of this sheet.

The Viper Accelerated Program requires students to work at a very high level. Students must be motivated and enjoy learning. In your opinion, does this student possess the necessary characteristics for successful performance in this program?
 ___ Yes ___ No

Please include ALL other information relevant to the student's potential success or failure in the program (discipline, attendance, etc.). Any additional information is appreciated and may be continued on the reverse side.
On behalf of Space Coast Jr. / Sr. High School, thank you for taking the time to evaluate this student for our program. Do not return to student unless it is in a sealed envelope with your signature across the envelope flap.

Teacher _____ Date _____

SCJSHS CONFIDENTIAL SCIENCE OR SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER RECOMMENDATION

THIS MUST BE SEALED IN AN ENVELOPE WITH EVALUATOR'S SIGNATURE ACROSS THE ENVELOPE FLAP TO VERIFY AND ASSURE CONFIDENTIALITY! **Deadline March 14, 2024**

The Viper Accelerated Program is a gifted/high achieving program with a highly rigorous plan of study. We appreciate your candid evaluation of this student. All recommendations are kept strictly confidential. This completed form should be returned to the student in a sealed envelope with your signature across the envelope flap.

Name of School: _____
 STUDENT NAME: _____
 TEACHER: _____
 SUBJECT: _____

Please use the following rating scale when completing the descriptors for this student:

- 5 = Exhibits this trait to an exceptional degree
- 4 = Exhibits this trait consistently
- 3 = Exhibits this trait frequently
- 2 = exhibits this trait occasionally
- 1 = Exhibits this trait rarely
- 0 = Not observed

Class Level:
 ___Average
 ___Advanced

Skills	5	4	3	2	1	0
Demonstrates strong skills in this subject area						
Works well in group settings, is a team player						
Demonstrates attention to details						
Learns quickly with good retention/does well on tests						
Highly motivated with a positive attitude about learning						
Rarely absent and always punctual						
Is consistent in completing assignments/class work/homework						
Overall has a good work ethic						
Character/Behavior						
A Self-Starter/ Prepared for class						
Shows responsibility/dependability/honesty						
Physically respect; personal space; not verbally aggressive to others						
Demonstrates acceptable classroom behavior conducive to learning/ Expresses opinions in a polite manner. Respectful of others.						

___ Strongly Recommended ___ Recommend
 ___ Recommended with Reservations* ___ Do not Recommend
 *Please comment on the reverse side of this sheet.

The Viper Accelerated Program requires students to work at a very high level. Students must be motivated and enjoy learning. In your opinion, does this student possess the necessary characteristics for successful performance in this program?
 ___ Yes ___ No

Please include ALL other information relevant to the student's potential success or failure in the program (discipline, attendance, etc.). Any additional information is appreciated and may be continued on the reverse side.

On behalf of Space Coast Jr. / Sr. High School, thank you for taking the time to evaluate this student for our program. Do not return to student unless it is in a sealed envelope with your signature across the envelope flap.

Teacher _____ Date _____

