

## What does ATEPS offer?

- ◇ Specialized courses that relate core academics to career and technical programs.
- ◇ Completion of specified coursework prepares students to earn their state ParaProfessional Certification.
- ◇ A comprehensive portfolio that includes selected coursework and a professional resume.
- ◇ Professional experience, career related field trips, cross training, job shadowing, and volunteer services.
- ◇ Eligible for the Florida Bright Future and Gold Seal scholarships with satisfactory completion of the three CTE courses and public service.
- ◇ Dual Enrollment, Advanced Placement and FLVS credit opportunities.

## Student Focus/Impact

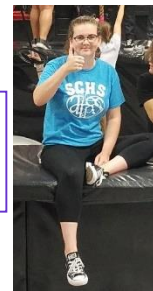
The Academy of Teacher Education and Public Service will assist students in achieving their goal to become future educators, community leaders and public servicemen. Academy faculty prepare students for multiple careers in our society.

ATEPS provides opportunities for students interested in classroom teaching at all levels, teacher assisting, instructional aide, daycare worker, adult education, medical aide, public service industry, and corporate training and development.

Upon graduation, students who complete this program and pass the industry certification ParaProfessional exam will be eligible to apply for positions related to public service fields and school systems throughout the state.



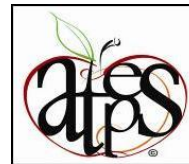
Teambuilding at Adventure Zone!



Real-world experiences at Atlantis Jump for Heart



Atlantis alumna interns senior year



Thanks to students, parents and teachers, fun and food!



ATEPS students visit Flagler College and the Florida School for the Deaf and Blind in St. Augustine



During Summer Camp, students collaborate, create, facilitate and implement team activities.



## Impacting Our Students...

**DIRECTION:** A program of study with an education-focused and leadership-driven curriculum.

**BE A TEACHER:** A field experience practicum with hands on learning and activities by assisting local teachers, earn college credit, or an Associates in Arts Degree.

**BE AN INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT:** Successful completion of the ParaProfessional industry certification examination qualifies the student for multiple positions throughout the state.

**CURRICULUM THAT MAKES SENSE:** A harmonized, interdisciplinary curriculum which is relevant and challenging.

**SMALL LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS:** A dedicated academy instructional team to provide continuity in student / teacher / mentor relationships built throughout the duration of enrollment.

**INDIVIDUALIZED GUIDANCE:** A dedicated academy counselor to provide students with an individualized program of study that will better ensure placement and articulation into the workplace and/or college programs.

**SHADOWING OR INTERNING:** Career shadowing and on-site internships in the student's senior year at local elementary schools provides realities of the educational environment.

**COMMUNITY TIES:** Increased opportunities for guest speakers, industry contact, and field trips to workplace facilities.