

Youngstown City Schools

# News Release

20 W. Wood Street Youngstown, Ohio 44503 (330)744-6900

For additional information, contact:

Karen Ingraham  
Communications Director  
330.744.7871  
330.716.5165

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### YCS SPECIALTY PROGRAMS TAKING APPLICATIONS FOR NEXT FALL

*January 18, 2012:* Youngstown City Schools is now accepting applications for its specialty programs. The application period begins immediately and will run until February 16, 2012. YCS programs that are now accepting applications include:

- Rayen Early College Middle School / REC
- Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics / STEM
- Visual and Performing Arts / VPA
- Choffin Career and Technical Center
- Youngstown Early College / YEC

Families interested in learning more about these programs are invited to attend one of the upcoming meetings scheduled by the district. The meetings will be held as follows:

**STEM, VPA, REC AND CHOFFIN PROGRAMS:** Two meetings for interested families will be held at Chaney Campus. Parents will have the opportunity to learn more about each program and the selection criteria. This is an opportunity to pick up an application form and see student performances and demonstrations.

- Tuesday, **January 31, 2012:** Chaney Auditorium at 6 p.m. (students entering grades 6-8 next Fall)
- Wednesday, **February 1, 2012:** Chaney Auditorium 6 p.m. (students entering grades 9-12 next Fall)

**YOUNGSTOWN EARLY COLLEGE:** Parents of current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who earned a 400 on the 7<sup>th</sup> grade OAA recently received an invitation to attend these meetings. Parents of current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who attend schools outside the YCS district also invited to attend.

- Tuesday, **February 7, 2012:** Choffin Career and Technical Center at 6 p.m.

- **Wednesday, February 8, 2012:** Choffin Career and Technical Center at 6 p.m.

Application forms are available at each school building, at the administrative offices at 20 W. Wood, through the mail by calling 330-744-6970 or online at [ycsd.org](http://ycsd.org).

For more information about the application process contact:

Kathleen Good: 330-744-6970

For more information about these programs:

Choffin: 330 -744-8719

REC: 330-744-7602

STEM: 330-744-8827

VPA: 330-744-8830

YEC: 330-480-7923

Meeting locations: Chaney Campus is located at 731 Hazelwood.

Choffin Career and Technical Center is located at 200 E. Wood St.