



ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOLS IN BUFFALO & ERIE

ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOLS IN ERIE:

THESE OPTIONS ARE FOR THOSE WHO RESIDE *OUTSIDE OF BUFFALO*.

To apply, students must reside outside of Buffalo and youth's school district of residence must be contacted (registrations cannot be accepted directly from families).

Edge Academy

Edge Academy in Cheektowaga is an Erie1 BOCES affiliated full-day academic program for Regents diploma-bound students who need an alternative to the traditional high school setting in order to thrive; includes individualized counseling, credit recovery options, work-based learning experiences, and student support groups.

Twilight

Twilight is a program within Edge which caters to students outside of traditional school hours for students who may be credit deficient or for those who need an alternative placement. Students in grades 10, 11 and 12 may join Twilight at any time throughout the year.

eAcademy Virtual Schooling

Erie1 BOCES affiliated, **eAcademy** is a completely 100% virtual option for general education students from grades K-12. Students and families will be provided the ultimate flexibility through both synchronous and asynchronous high-quality instruction in a supportive virtual environment. Built-in academic and social emotional supports are available for all students.

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The Academy School PS 131:

A 7-12 grade alternative school (day runs from 8:00am - 2:55pm) across two separate buildings (one for 7-8, another for 9-12). Provides credit recovery, homework help, exam preparation, college and career readiness skill building every weekday afternoon (two hours). Also has several CTE offerings in building trades, business, career/financial management, cosmetology, and entrepreneurship. Visit buffaloschools.org/PS131

PS 42 Occupational Training Center:

Ungraded Secondary Special Education run grades 4-10 to assist young adults ages 18–21 to acquire independent job responsibilities and to take part in useful, real-life vocational experiences. Vocational Trainers conduct intense, on-the-job training with each student and students are engaged in a variety of community-based experiences in local retail, business and workshop environments. Visit buffaloschools.org/PS42 for more info.

Students who previously attended Buffalo Public Schools are encouraged to seek out a GED program (rather than one of the limited alternative school options) whereas students from Erie County (outside of Buffalo) are encouraged to consider both alternative high school options and GED programs. Learn more about GED programs [here](#) and about pathways [here](#).

****Non-Exhaustive, Unvetted List***