



General Order

Department of Fire & EMS

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Subject: Silver Oak Academy – Opening Soon

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SILVER OAK ACADEMY

Silver Oak Academy (SOA) provides trauma-responsive, evidenced-based clinical services and strengths-based programming for up to 24 male youth (aged 14-18) with high acuity mental health needs, and may present with diagnoses including ADHD, PTSD, bi-polar disorder, ODD, or other trauma-related diagnoses. Young people from Maryland and across the country are accepted into SOA, which provides long-term continuing services within an Integrated Care Model to youth presenting emotional and/or behavioral conditions requiring a high level of on-site therapeutic care and intense structures supervision, behavior management and clinical intervention.

WHERE: 999 Crouse Mill Road, Keymar, MD 21757 **NOTE:** Typically, GPS takes you to the main housing unit, but most times staff/patient will be in the administration building, which is directly in front of the main/largest parking lot when you drive up. The front door is around the right side (directly across from the gymnasium). Please note: This is a locked facility with the telephone number to enter on door if staff is not present to let you in.

Silver Oak Academy staff will accompany the patient to the hospital if EMS transportation is required. EMS crews should you sound operational judgement on placement of Silver Oak Academy staff – Cab – front seat passenger side or patient compartment. This will be situation dependent.

A Nurse is present at the facility from 06:00 to 19:00 hours, overnight will be covered by Certified Medical Technicians. Heartstart AEDs are used at the academy. Security Camera systems are in place within and outside the academy buildings.

Student/Patient refusals must go through a consulting physician.

Expected opening day is 1-2 weeks with no firm opening date yet.

If you have any additional questions, I do have a point of contact and will reach out if needed.