**A little background on CHS**

The Citizens High School story began more than 40 years ago – with a desire to create more opportunities for students to achieve their educational goals. As lifestyles and technologies have evolved, so has CHS – creating increasingly innovative high school curriculum, study concentrations, teaching and learning resources, and more.

Today, our leadership follows a vision for Citizens High School to become the benchmark distance learning provider for high-school level education. Built on pillars such as quality instruction, flexible course selection, and unique educational opportunities, we continue to pave the way for students and families who want more than what bricks-and-mortar schools offer, without sacrificing anything in terms of level of learning or subject mastery.

**History of Citizens High School Milestones and Accomplishments**

1981 - CHS was founded in Atlanta, GA as a private distance education school.

1984 - Received National Accreditation through the National Home Study Council, now DEAC Distance Education Accrediting Council.

1991 - CHS was acquired by National Training Inc and moved to Orange Park, FL

1995 - Course and program offerings were modified and expanded to meet student's needs.

2000 - Additional course extensions and programs added in response to student interests and requests.

2001 - CHS enrollments grow to over 2,000 students per year

2017 - Dr. James Etter, Founder and former President & CEO of American Military University and APUS, acquires Citizens with a vision of creating high-quality online education at an affordable price point to everyone with the desire to learn. CHS Online planning and implementation begins.

2018 - CHS corporate headquarters relocated to modern facilities in Fleming Island, FL COHS launches it's innovative, fully online High School Diploma program

2020 - CHS launches 4 new programs (Young Parents, African American Studies, Español, and Homeschool Admin). Received regional & national re-accreditation with Middle States and DEAC.

2021 - In Winter/Spring of 2021, launched programs for Job Corps, Career Colleges, Homeschool, and School Districts, as well as a new Civics program.