The Academy of Information Technology at Pine Forest High School is a school of choice and is open to students across Cumberland County. Students not living in the Pine Forest District are responsible for their own transportation to and from school.

AOIT is a small learning community within our school that introduces students to the broad career opportunities in today's digital workforce and equips them with the personal, analytical, technical, and communication skills needed for careers in information technology. The <u>Information Technology Pathway</u> includes a variety of courses open to everyone at Pine Forest as well as courses specific to Academy students.

The Academy of Information Technology is affiliated with the <u>National Academy Foundation</u> (NAF) and is designed as a four-year program. However, we work with students who begin in their sophomore year to ensure that they get the coursework they need to complete the requirements of the pathway. Our program educates and trains students to become certified in several areas of information technology.

Certifications available to students include:

- Microsoft
- A+ Computer Technician
- Net+ (Computer Networking), and
- Security+ (Computer Security)

These articles, <u>Tech Talk</u> and <u>Get It</u>, discuss the importance of students getting industry certifications.