LENAPE TECHNICAL SCHOOL

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT

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1. Purpose

The Joint Operating Committee recognizes the importance of ensuring the safety of students participating in shop and laboratory classes. This policy has been developed to provide guidance for when a student may be temporarily, physically or mentally impaired as a result of a concussion.

2. Definitions

Appropriate medical professional shall mean all of the following:

1. A licensed physician who is trained in the evaluation and management of concussions.

2. A licensed or certified health care professional trained in the evaluation and management of concussions and designated by a licensed physician trained in the evaluation and management of concussions.

3. A licensed psychologist neuropsychologically trained in the evaluation and management of concussions or who has postdoctoral training in neuropsychology and specific training in the evaluation and management of concussions.

Hazardous activity shall mean all of the following:

1. Operation of any shop or industrial equipment wherein the failure to be alert and cognizant of safety requirements could result in injury to the student or another.

2. Participation in a laboratory activity wherein the failure to be alert and cognizant of safety requirements could result in injury to the student or another.

3. Physical Education Class.

3. Delegation of Responsibility
24 P.S.
Sec. 53233.

Each school year, prior to participation in a hazardous activity, every student and his/her parent/guardian shall sign and return the acknowledgement of receipt and review of the Concussion and Traumatic Brain Injury Information Sheet developed by the PA Department of Health and PA Department of Education.

	The student and his/her parent/guardian shall also be informed of the notice requirements set forth below.
4. Guidelines	Any student known to have sustained a concussion shall be prevented from participating in hazardous activities until the student is evaluated and cleared for return to participation, in writing, by an appropriate medical professional. Upon the student suffering a concussion and if the student would be participating in a hazardous activity during the course of a school term, the student and his/her parent/guardian has the affirmative duty to notify Lenape Technical School. Notification shall be accomplished by informing the Administrative Director or Assistant Director / Principal of the concussion. Knowledge of the concussion by the student's home school district is not notice to Lenape Technical School. Upon being informed that a student has sustained a concussion, the teacher shall not allow the student to participate in a hazardous activity until the student has been cleared for return to participation, in writing, by an appropriate medical professional. Until a student is cleared to participate in a hazardous activity, the student will be provided appropriate alternative educational activities, which the student shall be required to complete. The Administrative Director (or appropriate personnel designated by the Administrative Director) and the School's Health and Safety Services Facilitator shall develop administrative protocols to implement this policy.