

7.8 *Career and Technical Education Program*

7.8.1 Work-Based Learning Experience – A work-based learning experience provides students with educational opportunities in a work setting that typically cannot be obtained in a classroom and may include, but is not limited to, cooperative education, internships, clinical experiences, and other related opportunities. The Superintendent is authorized to develop guidelines and procedures in accordance with the regulations of the Alabama State Department of Education for work-based learning experiences to be conducted in the school system, including, but not limited to, guidelines for decision making and protocol for solving problems at the workplace and school.

[Reference: Ala. Admin. Code 290-6-1-.04]

7.8.2 Live Work – Live work consists of work conducted by students that relates to the knowledge and skills taught as part of a career and technical education (“CTE”) program of study, but is presented from outside the classroom. The Superintendent is authorized to develop for Board approval guidelines and procedures in accordance with the regulations of the Alabama State Department of Education and any applicable Business/Industry Certification requirements for live work to be conducted in the school system, including, but not limited to, a systematic method for managing live work, work requests and orders, and procedures for approval of where and for whom work may be conducted, school liability, and restrictions on live work. Any money collected for live work will be accounted for in accordance with the Board’s Finance Manual.

7.8.3 Safety – To the extent practicable, reasonable safety procedures will be implemented in the CTE program in accordance with Alabama State Department of Education regulations and any applicable Business/Industry Certification requirements.

7.8.4 Honor Society – The Board will operate a National Technical Honor Society (“NTHS”) for students involved in the Board’s CTE programs. To be eligible for NTHS, a student must: (1) have an overall grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale; and (2) be enrolled in at least one CTE course.

7.8.5 Annual Notice - The Superintendent will ensure that, prior to the student course registration period, an information session is held that covers what CTE programs are, the importance of CTE courses, any fees or costs associated with participation in CTE courses, information on any fee waivers or scholarships that are available to participate in such courses, information on each CTE program offered by the Board, and information on any student organizations or clubs associated with CTE courses.