

EQUIVALENCY CREDIT FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION COURSES

Each high school shall adopt core academic course equivalencies for high school career and technical **(CTE)** courses, provided that the career and technical course has been reviewed and approved for equivalency credit by a district team appointed by the superintendent or a designee.

The district team shall include a school administrator, the career and technical administrator, an instructor from the core academic subject area, an instructor from the appropriate career and technical course, a school counselor and a representative from the curriculum department.

Career and technical courses approved for equivalency must meet the following criteria:

- A. Align with the state's essential academic learning requirements and grade level expectations; and
- B. Align with current industry standards, as evidenced in the curriculum frameworks. The local career and technical advisory committee shall certify that courses meet industry standards.

The local CTE Advisory Committee shall certify that courses meet industry standards. Non-CTE courses approved for occupational education credit must, at a minimum, align with the definition of an exploratory course as proposed or adopted in the Career and Technical Education Program standards of the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Career and technical courses determined by the school district to be equivalent to academic core courses, in full or in part, shall be accepted as meeting core requirements, including graduation requirements, if the courses are recorded on the student's transcript using the equivalent academic high school department designation and title. Full or partial credit shall be recorded as appropriate.

Cross References:

Board Policy 2410 High School Graduation Requirements
Board Policy 2170 Career and Technical Education

Legal References:

WAC 392-410 Courses of Study and Equivalencies
WAC 180-51 High School Graduation Requirements
RCW 28A.230.097 Career and Technical High School Course Equivalencies

RCW 28A.230.120 High School Diplomas-Issuance-Option to receive final Transcript-
Notice

Management Resources:

Policy News, August 2006 Legislature Codifies Course Equivalency for Career and
Technical Courses

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