



Title: **Vocational Technical Education**

Code: 115

Book: Policy Manual

Section: 100 Programs

Purpose

The Board shall provide a program of vocational technical education in order to:[\[1\]](#)

1. Prepare students for gainful employment as skilled workers or technicians in recognized and new or emerging occupations.
2. Prepare students for enrollment in post-secondary education programs.
3. Assist students in choosing meaningful career pathways.

Definition

For purposes of this policy, **vocational technical education** shall be defined as a series of planned academic and vocational-technical education courses articulated with one another to teach the knowledge and skills necessary to prepare students to effectively pursue recognized profitable employment.[\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)

Authority

The Board shall support a program of vocational technical education which may include:

1. Enrollment of students in a program of vocational technical education outside this district, provided that such program is not offered in this district, and provided that such enrollment has been approved by the parent or guardian of the student.[\[3\]](#)
2. A recognized school-to-work program experience in private employment.
3. A work-study program for the employment of qualified students in public agencies and institutions.
4. A cooperative education program to offer students experience in private employment.[\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)
5. A service learning program to orient students to the nature of the community.

In order to maintain a program of vocational technical education, the Board shall:

1. Approve the content, organization and assessment standards of all vocational courses of study as stated in the Strategic Plan.[\[4\]](#)[\[1\]](#)[\[5\]](#)[\[6\]](#)
2. Approve the placement of students in work-study and career preparatory programs and supervise the nature and conduct of their employment.[\[1\]](#)[\[7\]](#)
3. In cooperation with the Greene County Area Vocational Technical School establish the number of credits to be awarded toward graduation for vocational technical education courses of study and for cooperative education programs.[\[1\]](#)

The Board shall establish appropriate advisory committees to advise the Board, administration and staff concerning the aspects

of the educational program delegated to each committee.[\[8\]](#)[\[9\]](#)[\[10\]](#)

Delegation of Responsibility

The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for developing procedures which ensure that:

1. All district programs are operated in conformance with the current state plan for vocational technical education and State Board regulations.[\[1\]](#)[\[11\]](#)[\[7\]](#)
2. All district teachers are properly certified for their specific teaching assignments.[\[12\]](#)
3. All approved planned instruction is carried out.[\[1\]](#)
4. Students participating in cooperative education programs are not exploited, illegally employed, or employed under conditions which fail to safeguard their health and interests.
5. Development of district vocational technical curricula is integrated with a continuing assessment of the employment demands of the community and the Commonwealth as well as the needs and interests of students.
6. Students and parents/guardians are informed that admission to vocational-technical education programs is accessible to regularly enrolled students, in accordance with established criteria for admittance.[\[1\]](#)

The Superintendent shall seek and utilize all available state, federal and private sources of revenue for the financial support of vocational technical education.

All students participating in vocational technical programs supervised by this Board or in AVTS programs sponsored by this Board are considered to be regularly enrolled in the district

schools and are subject to the policies and rules of the Board, and jointly established policies and rules of this district and the Greene County Area Vocational Technical School.

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Last Revised: **July 23, 2002**

Legal References:

- [1. 22 PA Code 4.31](#)
 - [2. 24 P.S. 1801](#)
 - [3. 24 P.S. 1809](#)
 - [4. 22 PA Code 4.13](#)
 - [5. 24 P.S. 1803](#)
 - 6. Pol. 100
 - [7. 22 PA Code 4.35](#)
 - [8. 22 PA Code 4.33](#)
 - [9. 24 P.S. 1808](#)
 - [10. 24 P.S. 1842](#)
 - [11. 22 PA Code 4.32](#)
 - [12. 24 P.S. 1212](#)
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