

160-4-8-.08 CAREER EDUCATION.

(1)DEFINITIONS.

(a) Career education - a learning process that increases career awareness, provides career exploration, and appropriate educational planning, thereby enabling students and their parents/guardians to make informed decisions about post-high school educational opportunities and career choices.

(2) REQUIREMENTS.

(a) The local school system shall provide opportunities for students to:

1. Learn how interests, aptitudes, and abilities are related to career and educational alternatives.
2. Understand the relationship between learning acquired in school and learning needed for future careers.
3. Develop a work ethic and appreciation for the dignity of all work.
4. Understand the economic concepts of becoming a producer and contributor to society.
5. Develop a program of study by no later than ninth grade.

(b) The local school system shall involve parents, teachers, guidance counselors, and community resources in the career education process by:

1. Using career-oriented content and learning-by-doing activities in the curriculum as a means to motivate and enhance student achievement.
2. Implementing guidance activities that encourage individual responsibility for career awareness and a broadening of perceived career choices.
3. Providing opportunities for broadening career options through such activities as career exploration, school-managed volunteer and work-based learning programs.
4. Relating the fine, practical, and liberal arts to work and other life roles and values.
5. Providing students with current, accurate career and educational planning information about future career possibilities for use in educational planning.

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6. Integrating skills and attitudes needed for continued learning, career decision making, planning, career preparation, and career success.

7. Involving home, community, business, and industry as resources for learning about work and careers.

(c) Each school containing grades 9-12 shall provide annual student advisement sessions to review programs of study and offer alternatives toward satisfying graduation requirements and updating career objectives.

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