PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE

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EXPLANATION - Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 385.080 and 388.360.

A REGULATION relating to education; revising the general requirements for a program of career and technical education; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Section 1. NAC 389.800 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 389.800 1. Courses of study in career and technical education described in this chapter must:
- (a) Be based upon a written curriculum that has been developed in collaboration with representatives of the occupation being studied to measure the competency of the pupil and which includes:
- (1) The current duties, tasks, skills and levels of performance necessary to perform the duties and tasks involved in being employed in the occupation being taught.
- (2) Instruction which reinforces academic skills of reading, writing, speaking, mathematics, science and using a computer.
- (3) Instruction designed to develop leadership, initiative, integrity, confidence, poise, reliability, cooperation, the ability to accept divergent points of view, self-discipline, the ability to adapt to change, make decisions, solve problems and set priorities, the ability to learn and participate in discussions, and a willingness to seek and accept responsibility.

- (b) Be designed to:
- (1) Allow the student to advance in the course of study at his or her own pace and allow the teacher to evaluate the progress of the pupil based on the requirements for obtaining employment or being promoted in the occupation being taught.
 - (2) Include pupils with disabilities.
- (c) Provide the student with reasonable access to the equipment used in the occupation the student is studying.
- (d) Require a pupil who completes the final course of instruction for a particular course of study in careeer and technical eduction to take an examination prescribed by the Department of Education which measures the proficiency of the pupil in the course of study, if such an examination is available.
 - 2. The teacher of a course of study in career and technical education shall:
- (a) Possess a valid endorsement to his or her license for each occupation in which he or she teaches a course of study.
 - (b) Use resources, materials and techniques which do not discriminate among pupils.
 - (c) Evaluate the pupil's achievement of the required goals in the course of study.
 - 3. Each pupil enrolled in a course of study of an occupation:
 - (a) Must be given the opportunity to participate in youth organizations that are:
 - (1) Affiliated with state and national organizations;
 - (2) Associated with the occupation the pupil is studying; and
 - (3) An integral part of the instructional program.

- (b) Must be given a certificate upon completion of a course of study in an occupation which states the level of performance the pupil has attained in specific skills identified by representatives of business or industry.
- (c) Upon completion of the course, should be qualified to enter a higher level of training without the necessity of repeating previously learned skills.
- 4. Written policies for the maintenance, replacement and disposal of equipment must be made available to the representatives of business or industry for review and comment.
- 5. The superintendent of each school district shall maintain a current and comprehensive inventory of all capital equipment, if any, maintained for each course offered in career and technical education. The superintendent shall establish a list of equipment that is comparable to that used in the occupations in which a course of study is offered. The superintendent shall not allow the use in career and technical education of equipment or facilities which do not meet the generally applicable safety requirements, including those adopted to ensure occupational safety and health for that occupation.
- 6. The teacher of a course of study in career and technical education shall cooperate with the guidance counselor of each school to assist pupils to enroll in an appropriate course of study. The guidance counselor shall assist the pupil to achieve:
- (a) An awareness of the opportunities for the development of the skills required in the various occupations.
 - (b) An exploration of the pupil's abilities with his or her occupational interest.
 - (c) Opportunities for the development of the pupil's skills.
 - (d) Realities of the workforce and expectations of employers.
 - (e) Opportunities for continued career and technical education and training.

- 7. The Department of Education shall cause surveys to be taken of each pupil who has completed a course of study in career and technical education to determine the effectiveness of the program.
- 8. Each school district shall adopt a written statement of philosophy for its program of career and technical education which includes stated goals that such instruction will:
 - (a) Contribute to each pupil's competency to enter the job market.
 - (b) Enable the pupils to succeed in further training.
 - (c) Enable the pupils to obtain employment.
 - (d) Enable the pupils to advance in job responsibilities.