

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE  
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§ 1 and 2, NRS 385.080, 385.114 and 388.360.

A REGULATION relating to education; revising the curriculum requirements for a course of study in career and technical education to be approved for credit towards certain units required for graduation from high school; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

Existing law requires the board of trustees of a school district in a county whose population is 100,000 or more (currently Clark and Washoe Counties), and authorizes any other board of trustees of a school district, to establish and maintain a program of career and technical education that provides instruction in subjects approved by the State Board of Education. (NRS 388.380) Existing law authorizes the State Board to adopt regulations to administer existing law governing career and technical education. (NRS 388.360) Existing law also authorizes the State Board to prescribe the courses of study for the public schools of this State and those courses of study are required to comply with the standards of content and performance established by the Council to Establish Academic Standards for Public Schools. (NRS 385.114, 389.520)

Existing regulations authorize the board of trustees of a school district to allow a pupil who is enrolled in a course of study in career and technical education to earn certain credit towards units of English, mathematics, science and health that are required for graduation from high school if the State Board approves such credit for the course of study in career and technical education, after following certain procedures for the review of the course. To be approved for credit towards the units that are required for graduation from high school, the course of study in career and technical education is required to include, as part of its curriculum, the curriculum of the required course. (NAC 389.672, 389.673) This regulation revises this standard by replacing the requirement that the curriculum for the course of study in career and technical education include the curriculum for the required course with a requirement that the course of study in career and technical education be aligned with state standards of content and performance for the required course of study.

**Section 1.** NAC 389.672 is hereby amended to read as follows:

389.672 1. A board of trustees may allow a pupil to earn, towards the units necessary for graduation from high school, two units of the credit required in English, one unit required in mathematics, one unit required in science and one-half unit required in health if he or she is enrolled in a course of study in career and technical education approved pursuant to this section within one of the program areas set forth in subsection 1 of NAC 389.803 and *the curriculum of that course ~~{includes, as part of its curriculum, the curriculum}~~ is aligned with the standards of content and performance established pursuant to NRS 389.520 for the required course ~~{}~~ of study for which a pupil may earn credit.*

2. The superintendent of the school district shall appoint a committee composed of one person certified to teach in the course of study in career and technical education and one person certified to teach in the academic area in which the credit may be earned. The committee must verify to the board of trustees that the curriculum for the course of study in career and technical education ~~{includes the curriculum}~~ *is aligned with the standards of content and performance established pursuant to NRS 389.520 for the required course of study for which a pupil may earn credit.*

3. After verification has been received by the board of trustees, the written curriculum and title of the course of study in career and technical education and a statement of the academic credit to be granted must be submitted to the State Board of Education for approval. Academic credit may be granted for the course of study in career and technical education or a combination of courses only after the State Board of Education has given its approval.

4. The Superintendent of Public Instruction may give approval for the granting of academic credit to a board of trustees requesting to use a curriculum for a course of study in career and

technical education that has been approved by the State Board of Education for another school district if:

- (a) The procedures set forth in subsection 2 were followed by the requesting district; and
- (b) The board of trustees provides assurances that it will not deviate from the curriculum that

has been approved by the State Board of Education.

5. A pupil who earns academic credit pursuant to this section must be notified that the approval for academic credit is designed to meet the requirements for graduation from high school and may not necessarily be accepted for academic credit by a specific postsecondary institution. A copy of the notification given to the pupil must accompany the other materials to be submitted to the State Board of Education for final approval.

6. A minimum number of credits must be earned in the respective academic areas, as follows:

- (a) At least two credits must be earned in the academic mathematics department;
- (b) At least one credit must be earned in the academic science department; and
- (c) At least two credits must be earned in the academic English department.

**Sec. 2.** NAC 389.673 is hereby amended to read as follows:

389.673 1. The superintendent of each school district which is authorized by the State Board of Education to grant academic credit for a course of study in career and technical education pursuant to NAC 389.672 shall, at least once every 3 years, appoint a committee to review that course of study. The committee must consist of one person who is certified to teach in the course of study in career and technical education and one person who is certified to teach in the academic area in which the credit may be earned.

2. After the committee has reviewed the course of study in career and technical education, it shall submit a written report of its review to the board of trustees of the school district. The report must include a statement signed by the members of the committee that the curriculum for the course of study in career and technical education ~~includes~~ *is aligned with* the ~~curriculum~~ *standards of content and performance established pursuant to NRS 389.520 for* the required course of study ~~for~~ *for which a pupil may earn credit.*

3. The board of trustees shall submit to the State Board of Education, for its approval, the written curriculum and title of the course of study in career and technical education and a statement of the academic credit it proposes to grant.

4. Academic credit may be granted for the course of study in career and technical education or combination of courses only after the State Board of Education has given its approval.