

FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PROGRAMS

TITLE: CAREER AND TECHNICAL
EDUCATION

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<p>1. Authority SC 1806, 1807 Title 22 Sec. 4.31, 12.41, 339.2</p> <p>Title 22 Sec. 4.31 Pol. 103, 103.1, 113, 138</p> <p>SC 1807, 1841 Title 22 Sec. 4.31, 339.2</p> <p>SC 1850.1 Title 22 Sec. 4.31, 12.41, 339.21</p> <p>2. Guidelines</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">115. CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION</p> <p>The Board shall provide a program of career and technical education (Vocational Education) in order to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assist students in choosing career pathways by providing a vocational education alternative. 2. Prepare students for employment as skilled workers or technicians in recognized, new and emerging occupations and/or postsecondary education programs in these fields requiring vocational education skills and certifications. <p>The Board shall ensure that all students and parents/guardians are informed of the student's rights to participate in vocational education programs and courses and that students with disabilities enrolled in such programs are entitled to services under state and federal laws and regulations.</p> <p>All students participating in vocational education programs sponsored or supervised by the Board shall be considered regularly enrolled in district schools and shall be subject to Board policies and district administrative regulations and rules.</p> <p>The Board shall support a program of vocational education which includes district students attending Greater Johnstown Career & Technology Center for participation in a cooperative program of career development.</p> <p>Students and parents/guardians shall be informed that admission to vocational education programs is accessible to regularly enrolled district students, in accordance with established criteria for attendance.</p> <p><u>Child Abuse Prevention Requirements</u></p> <p>Employers who participate in internship, externship, work study, co-op, or similar programs in co-operation with Greater Johnstown Career &</p>
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<p>23 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6303, 6344</p> <p>23 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6303, 6344</p> <p>23 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6344</p> <p>23 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6344.3</p>	<p>Technology Center shall adopt policies and procedures that ensure compliance with the following procedures required by the Child Protective Services Law.</p> <p>Identification of Adult Responsible for Child’s Welfare</p> <p>When a district student under the age of eighteen (18) years old participates in an internship, externship, work study, co-op, or similar program with an outside employer, the Greater Johnstown Career & Technology Center and the employer shall, prior to commencing participation, identify an adult(s) who will be the student’s supervisor while the child participates in the program. The identified adult(s) will be the person responsible for the child’s welfare.</p> <p>The identified adult(s) shall be in the immediate vicinity of the child at regular intervals during the program. Immediate vicinity shall mean an area in which an individual is physically present with a child and can see, hear, direct and assess the activities of the child.</p> <p>Certifications</p> <p>Prior to commencement of the program, the identified adult shall submit all required certifications and legally required information, which shall include but not be limited to the following information to the Vocational Director or designee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PA Child Abuse History Clearance - which must be less than sixty (60) months old. 2. PA State Police Criminal History Record Information - which must be less than sixty (60) months old. 3. Federal Criminal History Report - which must be less than sixty (60) months old. 4. Disclosure Statement – which is a statement swearing or affirming applicant has not been disqualified from service by reason of conviction of designated criminal offenses or being listed as the perpetrator in a founded report of child abuse. <p>The Vocational Director or designee shall review the information and determine if the information that is disclosed precludes the adult from serving as the supervisor responsible for the child's welfare.</p> <p>Information submitted by an identified adult in accordance with this policy shall be maintained centrally in a manner similar to that for school employees.</p>
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<p>23 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6344.3</p>	<p>Arrest Or Conviction Reporting Requirements</p>
<p>23 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6344.3</p>	<p>An identified adult shall notify the employer, in writing, within seventy-two (72) hours of the occurrence, of an arrest or conviction required to be reported by law and the employer, if other than District, shall immediately upon receipt of said notification, notify District of the same in writing.</p>
<p>23 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6344.3</p>	<p>An identified adult shall also report to the employer, within seventy-two (72) hours of notification, that s/he has been listed as a perpetrator in the Statewide database, in accordance with the Child Protective Services Law.</p>
<p>23 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6344.3</p>	<p>Failure to accurately report such occurrences may subject the identified adult to disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment and criminal prosecution.</p>
<p>23 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6344.3</p>	<p>The employer shall immediately require an identified adult to submit new certifications when there is a reasonable belief that the identified adult was arrested for or has been convicted of an offense required to be reported by law, was named as a perpetrator in a founded or indicated report, or has provided written notice of such occurrence.</p>
<p>23 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6311 Pol. 806</p>	<p>If the employer receives notice of such occurrences from either the adult or a third party, the employer shall immediately report that information to the Vocational Director or designee in writing.</p>
	<p>Child Abuse Reporting</p>
	<p>Identified adults who have reasonable cause to suspect that a child is the victim of child abuse shall make a report of suspected child abuse in accordance with the Child Protective Services Law.</p>
	<p>References:</p>
	<p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1106, 1212, 1801, 1806, 1807, 1808, 1809, 1841, 1842, 1847, 1850.1</p>
	<p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 4.31, 4.33, 4.34, 4.35, 11.28, 12.41, 339.2, 339.13, 339.14, 339.21, 339.22, 339.29, 339.41</p>
	<p>Child Protective Services Law – 23 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6301 et seq.</p>
	<p>Board Policy – 103, 103.1, 113, 138, 806</p>