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## **SUBJECT: OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION**

The Board of Education recognizes the need for occupational education and reaffirms its policy of strengthening the local high school occupational program through utilization of any available federal and state funds for that purpose and of supporting the BOCES program.

In accordance with the Regulations of the Commissioner, district occupational instruction shall:

- a) Be related to the occupation or fields for which students are being trained or retrained and suited to the needs of those engaged in or preparing to engage in such occupations;
- b) Admit persons to classes and provide instruction for each type of occupational education or occupational field on the basis of their interest and potential for achieving competence in the occupation;
- c) Include in the total program of instruction both general and occupational education in which the preparatory portion shall develop minimum competencies and skills to permit initial employment while providing a basis for future learning on the job or through continuing education;
- d) Be sufficiently extensive and inclusive within a scheduled unit of time to enable students to develop competencies for entering, advancing or continuing in an occupation or occupational field; and
- e) Be conducted and supervised by persons meeting established certification requirements.

### **Equal Opportunity**

The Board of Education prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin or disability in any occupational program or activity of this District.

The occupational program and/or activities shall be readily accessible to students with disabilities.

### **Public Notification**

Prior to the beginning of each school year or academic semester, the District shall issue an appropriate public announcement which advises students, parents, employees, and the general public that occupational education opportunities will be offered without regard to sex, race, color, national origin or disability. Included in such announcement will be the name, address, and telephone number of the person designated to coordinate Title IX/Section 504/ADA activities.

### **Grievance Procedure**

Grievance procedures for resolving complaints regarding discrimination based on sex and/or disability shall be disseminated to adequately inform students, parents and employees of the existence of these procedures.

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## **BOCES Advisory Council**

In accordance with Education Law, the Advisory Council of the BOCES is designated as the local Advisory Council for occupational education in the School District.

Education Law Article 93  
8 New York Code of Rules and Regulations  
(NYCRR) Sections 100.2(h) and 141 et seq.

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