

MIDDLE BUCKS
INSTITUTE OF
TECHNOLOGY

SECTION: PROGRAMS

TITLE: CAREER AND TECHNICAL
STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

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<p>1. Purpose</p> <p>2. Definition</p> <p>3. Authority SC 511 20 U.S.C. Sec. 4071 et seq Pol. 103</p>	<p>122. CAREER AND TECHNICAL STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS</p> <p>The Executive Council believes that the goals and objectives of the School are best achieved by a diversity of learning experiences, some of which are more appropriately conducted outside the regular classroom curricular program of the school.</p> <p>All learning experiences offered by the school shall be planned and integrated toward the attainment of the school’s objectives.</p> <p>For purposes of this policy, career and technical student organizations shall be those activities which are sponsored or approved by the Executive Council but are not offered for credit toward graduation. Such activities shall ordinarily be:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Conducted wholly or partly outside the regular school day.2. Marked by student participation in the processes of initiation, planning, organizing, and execution.3. Available to all students who voluntarily elect to participate, except that where eligibility requirements are necessary or desirable, the Executive Council shall be so informed and must approve the establishment of eligibility standards before they may be operable. <p>The Executive Council shall make school facilities, supplies and equipment available and shall assign staff members for the support of career and technical student organizations activities for students. Such availability and assignment shall be in accordance with the Equal Access Act.</p> <p>Any career and technical student organizations activity shall be considered to be under the sponsorship of the school when it has been approved by the Executive Council on recommendation of the Director.</p>
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<p>Pol. 110</p> <p>4. Delegation of Responsibility</p> <p>5. Guidelines</p> <p>20 U.S.C. Sec. 4071 et seq</p>	<p>The Executive Director shall maintain the program of career and technical student organizations activities at no cost to participating students, except that the Executive Council's responsibility for the provisions of supplies shall carry the same exemptions as listed in the policy on regular school supplies.</p> <p>Students may assume all or part of the costs of travel and attendance at career and technical student organizations events and trips.</p> <p>The Director shall prepare procedures to implement a career and technical student organizations program which shall:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assess the needs and interests of the students of the school. 2. Involve students in the planning of career and technical student organizations activities. 3. Be responsive to the articulated needs of students. 4. Ensure the provision of competent guidance and supervision of staff. 5. Guard against the exploitation of students. 6. Provide for a variety of experiences and a diversity of organizational models. 7. Provide for the continuing evaluation of the career and technical student organizations program. 8. Ensure that all career and technical student organizations activities are open to all students and that all students are fully informed of the opportunities open to them. <p><u>Equal Access Act</u></p> <p>The school shall provide its secondary students the opportunity for one or more non-curriculum related student groups to meet on the school premises during non-instructional time for the purpose of conducting a meeting within the limited open forum on the basis of the religious, political, philosophical, or other content of the speech at such meetings. Such meetings must be voluntary, student initiated, and not sponsored in any way by the school, its agents or employees. Non-instructional time is the time set aside by the school before actual classroom instruction begins or after actual classroom instruction ends.</p>
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	<p>The meetings cannot materially and substantially interfere with the orderly conduct of the educational activities in the school.</p> <p>The Director or a designee shall establish the length of sessions, number per week, and other such limitations as felt reasonably necessary.</p> <p>The school retains the authority to maintain order and discipline on school premises, to protect the well-being of students and employees, and to ensure that the attendance of students at such meetings is on a voluntary basis.</p>
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