A. Curricular Policies

2. Instructional Mandates

f. Career and Technical Education Students

The Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs offered by the Narragansett School System provide students exposure to the world of work, offer students the opportunity to learn rigorous technical and career-based skills that are aligned to industry standards, and, through the earning of credentials, prepare students for postsecondary education, training programs, and/or careers. This policy establishes the guidelines and requirements needed for students to enroll and continue enrollment in these programs.

I. Enrollment:

- A. The Narragansett School Committee supports all students who wish to pursue career and technical education courses and welcomes both resident and non-resident students who wish to enroll in CTE programs. All students must be prepared to participate in these career specific programs in order to be successful candidates and will be required to apply and be accepted into these programs.
- B. The following requirements are necessary for acceptance into Narragansett School System CTE programs:
 - 1. All students must meet eligibility requirements identified in the application forms for their selected program.
 - 2. Applications to the CTE programs must be submitted to the Department Chair for Career and Technical Education Programs on or before March 1st for preferential placement. Applications will be considered by an admission committee.
 - 3. After March 1st, applications will be reviewed on a space-available basis until the program is filled
- C. To continue enrollment in CTE programs, students must meet established enrollment criteria that include:
 - 1. Adherence to a code of conduct published in the student handbook that applies both to school and on-site work placements;
 - 2. Attendance;
 - 3. Academic criteria that adhere to applicable statutes and regulations.

Enrollment criteria shall not unfairly target students on the basis of color, gender, sexual orientation, race, religion, national origin, disability, or district of residence. The NSS CTE enrollment policy shall be published in the student handbook and a copy provided to each student and family upon enrollment in a CTE program.

II. Appeals:

- A. If a student is denied acceptance into or continued enrollment in any CTE program, the following appeal process will be followed:
 - 1. An appeal will be submitted in writing to the Narragansett High School Principal.
 - 2. If the decision of the Principal does not resolve the matter, a second written appeal can be made to the Superintendent.

- 3. If the decision of the Superintendent does not resolve the matter, an additional written appeal may be made to the Narragansett School Committee.
- 4. If the School Committee's decision does not resolve the matter, a final appeal may be made to the RIDE Commissioner of Education.

Detailed descriptions of the CTE programs offered are available in the High School Program of Studies or on the high school website at www.nssk12.org.

Eligibility requirements for each CTE program will be updated and approved annually by the Narragansett School Committee as a part of the Narragansett High School Program of Studies.

References:

Rhode Island General Law §16-45

RIDE Regulations of the Board of Regents Governing Career and Technical Education in Rhode Island, 2012 Regulations Governing Career and Technical Education in Rhode Island (200-RICR-20-10-3)

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