

**VOCATIONAL EDUCATION**  
**CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION**

The School Board affirms the importance of providing all students with quality vocational education/CTE experiences that teach life skills, demonstrate the value of work, and provide training that leads to entry-level employment. The Board views vocational education/CTE and academic education as complementary educational programs. Vocational/CTE courses should give students abundant opportunities to obtain or reinforce academic skills. Teachers should emphasize as often as possible the practical applications of academics to the working world.

A comprehensive vocational education/CTE program includes vocational education/CTE classes, various employment options, vocational counseling, establishment of career goals and the development of job skills.

Because the equipment used in business and industry changes rapidly, as do the skills needed to operate it, the Board desires that the district's vocational education/CTE program be updated regularly to reflect current vocational practices and changes in technology and labor market conditions as the budget permits.

Equal opportunities shall be provided to special populations in recruitment, enrollment and placement activities of the vocational education/CTE program.

*Legal Reference:*

ALASKA STATUTES

*14.18.030 Discrimination in counseling and guidance services prohibited*

*14.35.010-14.35.030 Vocational Education*

ALASKA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

*4 AAC 51.220 - 4 AAC 51.390 Secondary vocational educational programs*

**CARL D. PERKINS VOCATIONAL AND APPLIED TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION ACT**  
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