

Northside Plan for Career and Technology Education

The following objectives are adopted from the State Plan for Career and Technology Education. We believe the state objectives contribute to quality Career and Technology programs that prepare students for further education and eventual employment in a technology-intensive world. The seven objectives in the state plan are based on elements that contribute to effective Career and Technology Education programs:

Objective 1: Academic Excellence

Provide opportunities through a rigorous Career and Technology Education program for all students to develop and demonstrate the knowledge and skills necessary to think critically, solve problems, read, write, and communicate, compute, and apply technology across all subject areas.

Objective 2: Guidance and Counseling

Provide a quality academic counseling and career guidance program for all students in pre-kindergarten through Grade 12, offering broad educational opportunities, furthering personal and intellectual development, and promoting opportunities for career preparation with a greater earning potential.

Objective 3: Partnerships

Develop, implement, and promote sustainable partnerships to ensure program alignment with business and industry standards for current and emerging occupations. Effective partnerships involve mentors who engage and support students in career exploration, career preparation, and continuing education.

Objective 4: Curriculum

Provide a well-balanced, rigorous curriculum that equips all students with academic and technical knowledge and skills essential for continuing education at the postsecondary level, managing the dual roles of family member and wage earner, and gaining high-skill, high-wage employment.

Objective 5: Professional Development

Provide comprehensive, relevant professional development opportunities for teachers, counselors, and administrators to ensure that all students receive a quality education.

Objective 6: Accountability

Participate in a system of accountability that is supported by highly qualified teachers, supportive school environments, challenging assessments, valid and reliable data, and high standards for student performance.

Objective 7: Administrative Leadership

Provide leadership, guidance, and resources necessary for local programs to meet the objectives of the State Plan for Career and Technology Education. Quality career and technology programs provide opportunities for students to acquire the knowledge and skills to pursue a career pathway, engage in lifelong learning, and become responsible and independent citizens.