METHODS OF ADMINISTRATION (MOA) Access to Career and Technical Education Programs

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Executive Summary

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At the time of the onsite review, TEA found the following:

No Evidence of Violation 0

Violation

Not Applicable 0

Total Number of Indicators

1. Administrative	
A. Annual Public Notification	Select
B. Continuous Nondiscrimination Statement	Select
C. Designation of Coordinators	Select
D. Grievance/Complaint Procedures	Select
2. Recruitment, Admissions, and Counseling	
A. Recruitment and Counseling of Students	Select
B. Admission Practices	Select
C. Counseling of Students	Select
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A) Accountability Issues	Select
3. Accessibility	
B. Equal Accessibility for Minority and Nonminority Communities	Select
4. Comparable Facilities	
A. Comparable Facilities	Select
5. Services for Students with Disabilities	
A. Admission, Review, and Dismissal (ARD) Committee Membership	Select
B. Related Aids and Services	Select
C. Communication with Students with Visual, Auditory, and Speech Impairments	Select
6. Financial Assistance A. Financial Assistance	Select
A. I mandal Assistance	Select
7. Work-Based Learning, Cooperative Programs, and Job Placement	
A. Career Preparation Education, Work Study, Apprenticeship and Job Placement	Select
8. Employment	
A. Recruitment, Employment, and Promotional Practices	Select
B. Salary Policies	Select
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Equity Requirement/ Legal Cites	Indicators Reviewed	Possible Documentation	Documentation Observed		Status
A. Annual Public Notification			Yes	No	Select
Prior to the beginning of each school year,		Local Newspaper			
subrecipient (campus) must advise students, parents, employees and general public that all	public notice of nondiscrimination	Campus/District Newspapers			
vocational (Career and Technical Education) opportunities will be offered regardless of race,	vidence that the public notice is issued Ot	Other publications			
color, national origin, sex or disability.		Does notice have brief description of			
Office for Civil Rights (OCR) Guidelines IV-0 28 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)	Evidence that the public notice is reaching the general public	program offerings and admission criteria?			
§35.106		Do publications with notice reach students,			
34 CFR §100.6(d) 34 CFR §104.8	language other than English as needed	parents, employees and applicants?			
34 CFR §106.9		Web site			
Sample: (Public Notification of Nondiscrimination	n in Career and Technical Education Progra	ams)			
(Campus) offers career and technical education	programs in (types of programs offered). A	admission to these programs is based on (adr	nission sta	andards).	
t is the policy of (campus) not to discriminate on required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 196 1973, as amended.					
t is the policy of (campus) not to discriminate on VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; ⁵ 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amende	Fitle IX of the Education Amendments of 19				
(Campus) will take steps to assure that lack of E	nglish language skills will not be a barrier t	o admission and participation in all education	al and voo	cational	
programs.					

1. Administrative					
Equity Requirement/ Legal Cites	Indicators Reviewed	Possible Documentation	Documentation Observed		Status
B. Continuous Nondiscrimination Statement			Yes	No	Select
A subrecipient (campus) must take continuous steps to notify participants, beneficiaries,	Evidence that the statement of nondiscrimination has required	Student/parent publications			
applicants, parents, employees (including persons with visual or auditory impairments), other interested parties, and unions or	inclusions (race, color, national origin, sex, disability, and age) Evidence that if a campus' service area contains a community of national-origin minority persons with limited English language skills, the nondiscrimination statement is in the national-origin community's own language Evidence that a statement of nondiscrimination shall be included on publications and other materials that are	Applicant publications (statement includes age)			
professional organizations holding collective bargaining or professional agreements with the campus that it does not discriminate on the basis		Employee publications (statement includes age)			
of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age. A statement of nondiscrimination shall be		District/Campus website			
included on publications and other materials that are distributed to or accessible by students, parents, applicants, beneficiaries, employees, unions, or professional organizations holding collective bargaining or professional agreements		Electronic documents			
		Electronic recruiting materials			
with the district and other interested parties. Legal Authority: 28 CFR §35.106;	distributed to district clients.	Newspaper			
34 CFR §100.6(d), §104.8, §106.9, §110.25.		Newsletter			

1. Administrative					
Equity Requirement/ Legal Cites	Indicators Reviewed	Possible Documentation		mentation served	Status
C. Designation of Coordinators			Yes	No	Select
The subrecipient (campus) shall designate at least one employee to coordinate its efforts to	Evidence that the name or title, address, and contact information of the person(s)	Annual public notification			
comply with and carry out its responsibilities under Section 504, Title II, and Title IX. The	designated to coordinate Title IX and Section 504 compliance activities are	Campus/District policy and procedures			
campus must notify students and employees of the name or title, office address, and contact	included in the annual notice and other correspondence Em	Student/parent handbook, course catalogs			
information of the designated employee(s). This person(s) must be aware of his/her responsibilities and have the training necessary		Employee handbook, recruitment materials, or applications for employment			
to perform the responsibilities. Legal Authority: 28 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)	minority persons with limited English language skills, the nondiscrimination statement is in the national-origin	Title IX and Section 504 Coordinator interview(s)			
§35.107(a);	community's own language	Annual communications with employees			
§35.107(a); 34 CFR §104.7, §106.8, §110.25.	Evidence that the designated coordinator is aware of his/her responsibilities and received the training necessary to perform the responsibilities	Electronic communications			

1. Administrative					
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D. Grievance/Complaint Procedures			Yes	No	Select
The subrecipient (campus) has adopted and distributed grievance procedures to resolve	Evidence that the campus has published the board of trustees-adopted	Student handbook			
alleged discrimination complaints as required under Title IX and Section 504. Grievance	participants, students, beneficiaries,	Parent handbook			
procedures are available to any individual or class of individuals who feel they have been	rents, and employees are informed bout the grievance procedures for	Employee handbook			
discriminated against. Grievance procedures for employees and students include a	resolution of complaints and unlawful forms of discrimination based upon	Newspaper			
nondiscrimination statement based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, and age.	race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age	Newsletters			
Legal Authority: 28 CFR §35.107(b); 34 CFR §104.7, §106.8,	Evidence that the campus has on file	Bulletins			
§110.25.	the most recent board-approved policy regarding student and parent	Other publications			
The subrecipient (campus) has addressed formal complaints based on race, color, national	complaints/grievances (i.e., Texas Association of School Boards [TASB]	Memoranda			
origin, sex, disability, or age. Legal Authority:	policy FNG) and the most recent board- approved policy regarding employee	Campus/District websites			
34 CFR §100.7, §104.7, §106.8, §110.25(c). The subrecipient (campus) has adopted	complaint/grievances (i.e., TASB policy DGBA)	Local policy regarding student and parent complaints/grievances			
grievance procedures that incorporate appropriate due process standards and that provide for the prompt and equitable resolution of	Evidence that the campus has addressed formal complaints based on race, color, national origin, sex,	Local policy regarding employee complaints/grievances			
complaints. Legal Authority:	disability, or age providing due process for resolution in a prompt and equitable	Electronic forms			
34 CFR §104.7 (b)	manner	Staff/administrator interview(s)			
		Review of any current grievance/complaint (2 years)			

Equity Requirement/ Legal Cites	Indicators Reviewed	Possible Documentation		entation erved	Status
A. Recruitment and Counseling of Students			Yes	No	Select
Subrecipient (campus) must ensure that its counseling materials and activities (including student program selection and career/employment selection), promotional, and recruitment efforts do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or handicap.	Evidence that promotional and counseling activities and resources do not include materials that discriminate against or stereotype persons on the basis of race, language, color, national origin, sex, or disability	Electronic communication relating to CTE programs			
Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines V-A, V-C, and V-E; 34 CFR §104.37, §106.23. Recipients must conduct its student recruitment activities so as not to exclude or	Evidence that the curricula and programs described in course catalogs and student materials, such as brochures, pamphlets, posters, or memoranda cover a range of	Copies of promotional materials (i.e., brochures, pamphlets, posters, bulletin boards, memoranda) used for career days, parents' night, laboratory demonstrations, visitation by groups of prospective students, and other activities			
limit opportunities on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or handicap. Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines V-C.	not limited on the basis of the race.	Copies of promotional materials in the community's own language			
Where recruitment activities involve the presentation or portrayal of vocational and career opportunities, the curricula and programs described should cover a broad range of occupational opportunities and not be limited on the basis of the race, color, national origin, sex, or handicap of the students or potential students to whom the presentation is made.	Evidence that, to the extent possible, the district has conducted promotional activities that portray males or females, minorities, or persons with disabilities in programs and occupations in which these groups traditionally have not been represented	Nondiscriminatory promotional materials that encourage student participation in CTE student organizations without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, or disability			
Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines V-C. Recruiting teams should include persons of different races, national origins, sexes, and handicaps. Legal Authority:	ridence that if a district's service ea contains a community of with	The district can demonstrate that students with disabilities are provided equal opportunities to access CTE programs.			
OCR Guidelines V-C.		List trainings that CTE staff have attended related to sheltered instruction (or similar trainings) that would enable staff to effectively train EL students.			

2. Recruitment, Admissions, and Counseling								
Equity Requirement/ Legal Cites	Indicators Reviewed	Possible Documentation	Documentation Observed		Status			
3. Admission Practices			Yes No		Select			
Legal Cites	Evidence that admissions procedure, policy, and/or practice for CTE program enrollment avoid criteria that disproportionately exclude persons of a particular race, color, national origin, sex, or disability Evidence that the recipient (campus) reviews student enrollment in programs that traditionally have been selected predominantly by members of one race, national origin, or sex; and actively recruits populations that are underrepresented in those programs Evidence that an individual graduation plan has been developed for each student with limited English language skills; and plans include a coherent sequence of CTE courses Demographics of specific CTE programs are similar to demographics of entire CTE enrollment or district provides a legitimate nondiscriminatory rationale Demonstrate that a concentration of students with limited English language skills in one or a few programs is not the result of discriminatory limitations upon the opportunities available to such students Evidence that criteria have been validated as essential to participation in a given program and that alternative equally valid criteria that do not have such a disproportionale adverse effect are unavailable	Admission policy for CTE programs along with description of admission process Procedures and criteria for selection/admission to the CTE program or courses of study where there are more applicants than can be accommodated Number of students by ethnicity, sex, limited English skills, and disability removed from CTE courses during the past three semesters Analysis of campus lists of all ELL/student population currently enrolled in CTE by program. Data should indicate that there is not a concentration of ELL(s) or other student population(s) in CTE programs If there is a concentration of ELL in one or more programs, there is evidence that it is not a result of discriminatory practices. Interviews Policies Procedures Course catalogs List of courses and their prerequisites Teacher recommendation as a prerequisite for admission Student handbook ELL student folder review PGP(s) for ELL students List trainings that CTE staff have attended related to sheltered instruction (or similar trainings) that would enable staff to effectively train EL students.	Obs	erved				
DCR Guidelines IV-K.	are essential to participation in each program are identified.							

2. Recruitment, Admissions, and Counselir	ng				
Equity Requirement/ Legal Cites	Indicators Reviewed	Possible Documentation		entation erved	Status
C. Counseling of Students			Yes	No	No Evidence of Violation
Subrecipients (campus) that operate CTE programs must ensure that counselors do not direct or urge any student to enroll in a particular career or program, or measure or predict a student's prospects of success in any career or program based on the student's prace, color, national origin, sex, or disability. Districts may not counsel students with disabilities toward more restrictive career objectives than students who do not have disabilities with similar abilities and interests. Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines V-B. Subrecipients (campus) must ensure that counselors can effectively communicate with national-origin minority students with limited English language skills and with students who have auditory impairments. This requirement may be satisfied by having interpreters available. Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines V-D. The subrecipient (campus) operating CTE programs ensures that students in protected groups do not drop out of CTE programs before completion due to unequal treatment or because of a lack of services to meet language - or disability-related needs. Legal Authority: 34 CFR §100.3, §100.4, §106.31. If a vocational program disproportionately enrolls male or female students, minority, nominority students, or handicapped students, the district must demonstrate steps taken to ensure that the disproportion does not result from unlawful discrimination in counseling activities. Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines V-B.	Evidence that students with disabilities are not counseled toward	Assessment plan with list of tests administered Written procedures for evaluation and placement of students with disabilities Written plan for provision of services for individuals with auditory, mobility, and visual impairments Evidence that the counseling process includes career options that are not limiting List of role models or any other resources used in career counseling Counselor interviews Teacher interviews Special programs/staff interviews Student Interviews			

3. Accessibili	ity						
A. Accessibility	Issues						
Campuses may because its facili otherwise qualific ACCESS to voca students with dis need for related students with dis	STATUS						
FACILITY	LOCATION	LAST ALTERATION	CODE	VIOLATION	CODE	SPECIFICATIONS	Select

Equity Requirement/ Legal Cites	Indicators Reviewed	Possible Documentation		entation erved	Status
B. Equal Accessibility for Minority and Nonminority Communities			Yes	No	Select
All CTE facilities housing programs are located at ites that are readily accessible to both minority and conminority communities, facilities or programs are	Evidence that the location and/or identification of the facilities do not tend to identify the facilities or programs as	Interview with CTE staff			
not identified as intended for nonminority or minority persons, and equal access is provided without regard to race, color, national origin, sex or disability. Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines IV-B and N; 34 CFR §100.3(b)(3), §104.4(vii)(5).	intended for minority or nonminority students. Evidence of equal access to the site location(s) of classes that are apart from the primary campus. Evidence that students with disabilities have available an instructional day commensurate with that of students without disabilities.	Interview with Special Education administrator			
		Interview with Special Education staff			
		Student schedule/ ARD if required			
		Bus schedule for special education/CTE students			
	Evidence that appropriate transportation is provided for students with disabilities.	Observation of facility			
		Facility Map			

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A. Comparable Facilities			Yes	No	Select
The subrecipient (campus) provides changing rooms, showers, and other restroom facilities for CTE students of one sex that are comparable to those provided to students of	Evidence that comparable facilities are provided in CTE classes where students change clothes or use protective clothing	Observation of facilities			
the other gender. This may be accomplished by alternating the use of the same facilities or by providing separate, comparable facilities. Legal Authority:	in The state of th	Interview with the CTE program administrator			
OCR Guidelines VI-D; 34 CFR §106.33. If separate programs or facilities exist for students with disabilities, they are comparable to those for students without disabilities. Legal Authority: Section 504: 34 CFR §104.34(c) Guidelines VI-A.		Interview with the Special Education program administrator			
		Teacher interview			
Facilities must be adapted or modified to the extent necessary to make the vocational education program readily accessible to handicapped persons. Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines VI-D.					

Equity Requirement/ Legal Cites	Indicators Reviewed	Possible Documentation	Documentation Observed		Status
A. Admission, Review, and Dismissal (ARD) Committee Membership			Yes	No	Select
for special education services is considered for placement in CTE courses, the ARD committee includes all required staff. Legal Authority: 34 CFR §104.4.	discussed the option of CTE courses and career pathways. *ARD signature page *Discussion in ARD deliberations	Sampling of student ARD folders - not in CTE program Sampling of student ARD folders - in CTE program			
	education students in CTE and special education students not in CTE	Student interviews/student surveys			

5. Services for Students with Disabilities					
Equity Requirement/ Legal Cites	Indicators Reviewed	Possible Documentation		entation erved	Status
B. Related Aids and Services			Yes	No	Select
Access to CTE programs must be provided to persons with disabilities that need related aids or services in accordance with the students' individualized education programs (IEPs) and/or Section 504 accommodation plans. Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines IV-N; 28 CFR §35.130; 34 CFR §104.21, §104.22(b), §104.33. Subrecipient (campus) may not deny handicapped students access to vocational education programs or courses because of architectural or equipment barriers or because of the need for related aids and services or auxiliary aids. Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines IV-N. Subrecipient (campus) must adjust those requirements to the needs of individual handicapped students. Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines IV-N. Access to vocational programs or courses may not be denied to handicapped students on the ground that employment opportunities in any occupation or profession may be more limited for handicapped persons than for nonhandicapped persons. Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines IV-N.	provides appropriate aids and services for students with disabilities and does not have policies that limit participation of students with disabilities Evidence that CTE programs are accessible to persons with disabilities Evidence that the campus has made provisions for the	Policy for providing aids and services Procedures governing use of guide dogs, tape recorders, and note takers Student IEPs/504 accommodation plans Interviews with students or staff On-site observations Evidence of redesign of equipment Evidence of assignment of aide to student(s) Number of students with disabilities denied admission Evidence of reassignment of classes or other services to accessible buildings Proof of delivery of health, welfare, or other social services at alternative accessible sites Sampling of student ARD folders - in CTE program List trainings that CTE staff have attended to improve effective instruction for students with disabilities.			

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C. Communication with Students with Visual, Auditory, and Speech Impairments			Yes	No	Select
Subrecipient (campus) must ensure that students in a program who have visual, auditory, or speech impairments have the opportunity to receive and present communication in a manner that is appropriate and effective. In addition, the district ensures that counseling services are provided to such students. Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines V-A and D; 28 CFR §35.160.	provided the appropriate auxiliary	Documentation of auxiliary aids and services provided by the district			
	necessary, to afford an individual	Special education eligibility folders			
	and a second consists of the constant and a second	Sampling of student ARD folders - in CTE program			
	educational services, programs, and/or activities offered by the	List of equipment available for communication			
	school	List of qualified interpreters			

Equity Requirement/ Legal Cites	Indicators Reviewed	Possible Documentation	Documentation Observed		Status	
A. Financial Assistance			Yes	No	Select	
Subrecipient (campus) may not award financial assistance in the form of loans, grants, scholarships, special funds, subsidies, compensation for work, or prizes to vocational education (CTE) students on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or disability, except to overcome	information used to notify students of opportunities for financial assistance do not contain language or examples that would lead applicants to believe the assistance is provided on a discriminatory basis Evidence that if a district's service area contains a community of	Scholarship offerings - CTE Financial assistance catalogues CTE related prizes				
discrimination. with limited En Legal Authority: such information	national origin containing persons with limited English language skills, such information is disseminated to that community in its language	Compensation schedule for work-based program				

Equity Requirement/ Legal Cites	Indicators Reviewed	Possible Documentation		entation erved	Status
A. Career Preparation Education, Work- Based Learning, Apprenticeship, Internships, Mentorships and Job Placement			Yes	No	Select
The subrecipient (campus) makes opportunities available to students in work study (work-based learning), career preparation education, and job placement programs without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, or disability, and does not enter into any arrangement with an agency, union, business, or other sponsor that discriminates against the LEA's students on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or disability in recruitment, hiring, placement, assignment to work tasks, hours of employment, levels of responsibility, or pay. Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines VII; 34 CFR §100.3, §104.4, §106.31. A subrecipient (campus) that assists employers and prospective employers in making employment opportunities available to any of its students must ensure that the employer does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or disability	available to students without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, or disability for any of the various types of programs Evidence that the statement of nondiscrimination is contained in written procedures, application forms, contracts, training plans, agreements, and other documentation available to the students Evidence that the students currently enrolled in the programs represent the overall makeup of the district based on race, color, national origin, sex, or disability Evidence that the written agreements contain assurances that the agency, union, business, or other sponsor does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or disability in recruitment, hiring, placement, assignment to work tasks, hours of	Campus policies and procedures for work-based learning, career and technical education, internships, mentorships and job placement programs List of number of students in work-based learning, career and technical education, internships, mentorships, and job placement by race, color, national origin, sex, or disability Written agreements or forms used to assign students to work-based learning, career and technical education, internships, mentorships, and job placement programs [training plans/contracts] Written agreements used with agencies, unions, businesses, or other training sponsors [training plans/contracts]			
in recruitment, hiring, placement, assignment to work tasks, hours of employment, levels of responsibility or pay. Legal Authority: Title VI: 34 CFR 100.3(b) Title IX: 34 CFR 106.38 Section 504: 34 CFR 104.46(b)		Documents used for the referral or assignment of students contain an assurance of nondiscrimination Program descriptors			

8. Employment Equity Requirement/	Indicators Reviewed				
	Indicators Reviewed				
Legal Cites		Possible Documentation		entation erved	Status
A. Recruitment, Employment, and Promotional Practices			Yes	No	Select
Subrecipient (campus) may not engage in any employment practice that discriminates on the basis of race, color, or national origin if such discrimination tends to result in segregation, exclusion or other discrimination against students. Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines VIII-A. The subrecipient (campus) recruitment, employment, and promotional practices and procedures are free from discrimination against CTE employees or applicants on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age. Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines VIII-A and B; 34 CFR §110.25. Subrecipient (campus) must provide equal employment opportunities for teaching and administrative positions to handicapped applicants who can perform the essential functions of the position in question. Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines VIII-E.	Evidence that the campus applications for employment do not contain prohibited preemployment lines of inquiry Evidence that the campus policies and procedures for promotions, transfers, and contract extensions are nondiscriminatory Evidence that the campus applications for employment contain appropriate notice of equal opportunity and the campus's nondiscrimination policy, including district contact information Evidence that status reports or descriptions of employee recruitment activities include sources and contacts Evidence that qualified persons of the particular race, color, national origin, or sex; or qualified handicapped persons, are not in fact, available in the relevant labor market Evidence that the recipient (campus) makes reasonable accommodation for the physical or mental limitations of handclapped applicants and/or employees	Hardcopy - Application Online - Application Employment/promotion policy CTE staff list by sex/race/disability CTE staff list by student population Documentation of recruitment activities - CTE List of applicants by ethnicity, gender, and age that were not selected for employment Staff interviews - CTE	Yes	No	Select

8. Employment							
Equity Requirement/ Legal Cites	Indicators Reviewed	Possible Documentation	Documentation Observed		Status		
B. Salary Policies			Yes	No	Select		
Subrecipient (campus) must establish and maintain faculty salary scales and policy based upon the conditions and responsibilities of employment, without regard to race, color, national origin, sex or handicap. Legal Authority: OCR Guidelines VIII-D; 34 CFR §100.3, §104.11, §106.54, §110.25.		Faculty salary schedules - CTE					
	employment without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age	Copy of job descriptions - CTE					
	Evidence that faculty assignment patterns and job descriptions are not	Stipend salary schedule - CTE					
	discriminatory on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age	Calendar with contracted days - CTE					
		Teacher/staff interviews - CTE					