



BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
KELLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

9C. Action

Date: January 14, 2008

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF INNOVATIVE CTE COURSES

BOARD GOAL: All students will achieve educational excellence.

FISCAL NOTE: None

Background Information:

- CTE innovative courses enable students to master knowledge, skills, and competencies in courses for which there are no essential knowledge and skills.
- CTE innovative courses require renewal every three years.
- Courses needing renewal include Diversified Career Preparation I & II and Parenting Education for School Aged Parents I & II.
- Diversified Career Preparation is a work-based instructional arrangement that develops essential knowledge and skills through classroom technical instruction and on-the-job training in an approved career and technical training area. Students in this program will receive instruction in general life long learning skills, employability skills, leadership and management skills, work ethics, safety, mathematics, and communications. Each student will have an individual training plan that will address their job specific knowledge and skills.
- Parenting Education for School Aged Parents is a course designed to address the special needs and interests of male and female students who are parents or are preparing to become parents. Students receive instruction on prenatal care and development, postnatal care, child development, infant care, parenting skills, responsible parenthood and adult roles, conflict resolution, nutrition, safety, and employability skills.

Administrative Considerations:

- CTE Innovative courses shall be used for state graduation elective credit.
- The local board of trustees must approve all innovative course applications prior to submission to the TEA.
- All 2008-2009 applications must be received in the TEA's Division of Curriculum no later than January 30, 2008.
- This item was presented to the Board for preview on December 17, 2007.

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The administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the innovative course applications for 2008-2009 as presented.

Respectfully submitted,

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