



**Policy: 9.42**

**SUBJECT:**                    **WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES (VOCATIONAL COOPERATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS)**

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## **1.0 Policy**

Cooperative education programs are open to qualified students who are enrolled in marketing/distributive education and business education courses and in certain other occupationally oriented courses of student.

As opposed to general work experience plans, students who participate in vocational cooperative education programs receive one-half day of academic and job-related instruction and one-half day of paid supervised work experience.

Local school coordinators will be responsible for job placement and liaison between employers and schools.

To be accepted in a cooperative education program, a student must:

1. Be 16 years of age.
2. Have a grade-point average of "C" or better.
3. Have good attendance and punctuality records.
4. Have good personal appearance and grooming.
5. Have had training in the major occupational area of work assignment.
6. Be recommended by a counselor and one or more teachers in the instructional area in which employment is sought.
7. Have parental permission forms signed by parents or guardians.
8. Meet the employer's standards for testing and job performance.

**Attachments to Policy 9.42:**                None

**See also:**                                        None

**Legal References:**                            None

**Labor Contract References:**              None