

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN EDUCATION

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Purpose: To establish the board's vision for community involvement in education.

Vocational program planning

In order to comply with the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act Amendments of 1990 (PL 101-392), Latta School District will observe the participatory and appeal processes described below in the planning and implementation of vocational programs. Interested parents/legal guardians, students and area residents will be able to directly participate in local decisions pertaining to the vocational plan.

Participatory planning

In order to provide an opportunity for all segments of the population to have input into the local plan development, the district will do the following.

- Provide the opportunity for community involvement or input into the development of the local plan for occupational education prior to its submission to the State Office of Occupational Education.
- Inform students, parents/legal guardians, teachers and/or area residents of the opportunities for input into the local decisions influencing the character of programs.

Expedited appeal process

Students, parents/legal guardians, teachers and/or area residents will be able to appeal local decisions that influence the character of vocational programs affecting their interest as follows.

- Within 14 days after a decision is rendered by the local school district/other eligible recipient administration, the matter may be submitted in writing to the attention of the district superintendent.
- The superintendent will respond to the appeal in writing within 14 days. A complaint that remains unresolved may be appealed in writing to the district board of trustees within 30 days for review and action within 30 days.
- An unsatisfactory decision by the school district board of trustees may be appealed in writing to the South Carolina state board of education within 14 days for final action within 60 days.

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Legal references:

A. Federal statutes:

1. P.L. 101-392, Section 118, Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act Amendments of 1990.