

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA Department of Education

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TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Patricia I. Wright, Superintendent of Public Instruction

## **SUBJECT: Nominations for Career and Technical Education Curriculum Review Committees**

The Office of Career and Technical Education (CTE) Services is accepting nominations for the 2013-2014 curriculum review committees. School divisions may nominate a CTE teacher for each of the 40 committees. Approximately 12 applicants will be selected to serve on each committee. The schedule for the committees is in Attachment A.

Committee meetings are conducted face-to-face, in an electronic format, or a combination of the two. All face-to-face meetings will be conducted at the CTE Resource Center in Henrico County. Electronic review committees are directed by state cluster specialists and CTE Resource Center writer-editors. Teachers serving on the electronic committees will conduct the curriculum review outside of school hours.

Reimbursement will be provided as follows:

- School divisions will be reimbursed for substitute teachers needed for teachers serving on the face-to-face committees;
- Teachers participating on face-to-face committees will be reimbursed for lodging, meals, and mileage in accordance with state guidelines; and
- Teachers participating in electronic reviews beyond the school day will receive a \$150 payment.

As indicated in <u>Superintendent's Memo #205-12</u>, CTE has now moved to a fully online system for the submission, approval, and selection of applications for the CTE curriculum review committees. All nominees who wish to serve on a committee must complete the Web-based application using the *CTE Application Processing System* (CTEAPS). The Web-based application process requires a professional reference and division-level approval (superintendent or designee). Procedures for submitting the Web-based application are available at: <a href="https://plpe.doe.virginia.gov/cteaps">https://plpe.doe.virginia.gov/cteaps</a>. Completed applications should be submitted to the Virginia Department of Education using CTEAPS by September 16, 2013.

Committee members will be chosen based on the following criteria:

- Teacher's experience and content area expertise;
- In-depth knowledge of CTE competency-based education; and
- Instructional experience with students with special needs.

Benefits for teachers include:

- Contributing to and ensuring the highest quality curriculum in CTE classes;
- Learning the latest techniques for developing and implementing competency-based education;
- Networking with colleagues as they participate in Virginia's CTE curriculum development process; and
- Earning recertification points, pending local approval.

If you have questions, please contact staff in the Office of Career and Technical Education Services at <a href="https://creativecommons.org/creativecommons.org/least-contact-staff">CTE@doe.virginia.gov</a> or call (804) 225-2052.

Your continued support of career and technical education in Virginia is appreciated.

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Attachment:

a. Curriculum Development Schedule (Word)