

May 5, 2021

Ms. Mary Pichetti
Director of Capital Planning
Massachusetts School Building Authority
40 Broad Street, Suite 500
Boston, Massachusetts 02109

Dear Ms. Pichetti:

The Tri-County Regional Vocational Technical School District has notified the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (“DESE”) of its intent to offer Chapter 74 Career/Vocational Technical Education (“CTE”) Programs at the Tri-County Regional Vocational Technical High School project, which is the subject of a feasibility study being conducted in collaboration with the Massachusetts School Building Authority as part of its school construction grant program.

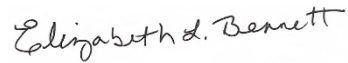
DESE staff members have reviewed the District’s Chapter 74 Vocational Technical Education Viability Documentation received from the MSBA on February 25, 2021 while the District was currently in the enrollment phase of Eligibility Period.

Based on our review of these materials to date, we are satisfied that the planning for the CTE program offerings the District is proposing for this school project has been thorough, the programs themselves are viable and the number of student’s per program are reasonable. The proposed programming and program capacities are as follows:

| Chapter 74 Program Offerings | Current Enrollment | Proposed Capacity | Comment* |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Auto Collision | 17 | 0 | Program to be discontinued |
| Automotive Technology | 60 | 60 | Existing Program |
| Carpentry | 48 | 50 | Existing Program |
| Computer Information Systems | 70 | 70 | Existing Program |
| Cosmetology | 63 | 65 | Existing Program |
| Culinary Arts | 51 | 60 | Existing Program |
| Dental Assisting | 46 | 55 | Existing Program |
| Early Education | 61 | 65 | Existing Program |
| Electrical Wiring Technology | 55 | 60 | Existing Program |
| Engineering Technology | 91 | 90 | Existing Program |
| Health Careers (Health Assisting) | 67 | 70 | Existing Program |
| Graphic Communications | 59 | 60 | Existing Program |
| Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration | 54 | 60 | Existing Program |
| Legal and Protective Services | 61 | 60 | Existing Program |
| Medical Assisting | 34 | 60 | Existing Program (expanded) |
| Metal Fabrication | 52 | 55 | Existing Program |
| Plumbing and Hydronic Heating | 56 | 60 | Existing Program |
| Total | 945 | 1,000 | |

Note that the purpose of this letter is not to grant formal approval for these Chapter 74 programs, but to certify that the District has been in substantive discussions with DESE about their plans for CTE programming, and that we are in general agreement with the proposals proceeding into the next phase of the proposed project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elizabeth L. Bennett".

Elizabeth L. Bennett
Associate Commissioner of College, Career and Technical Education, DESE

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