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CAREER/TECHNICAL PROGRAM EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, REPLACEMENT AND DISPOSAL 4.10.5

Dale County School System teachers in career/technical classes are expected to keep all machines, equipment, tools, and other items needed for effective instruction in good repair. A program of preventive maintenance of machines, tools, and equipment shall be implemented to prolong the use the items and to teach proper care and maintenance of equipment. A schedule for the cleaning, greasing, and oiling of equipment, the changing of filters, and other routine maintenance shall be developed by the teacher for all equipment, machines, and tools used in the classroom.

Annual review of needs for repairs, servicing, and other maintenance shall be submitted to designated system personnel. Requests for major repairs or replacement of equipment or tools shall be submitted with estimates of costs for parts, service, or replacements. The teacher using allocated maintenance funds, fees, program funds, or school funds shall pay for routine maintenance and small repairs. Major repairs and appropriate equipment replacement shall be considered in the annual system career/technical budget. The Dale County School System shall maintain a reasonable allocation to fund emergency repair of equipment essential to the instructional program.

Principals and system personnel shall conduct periodic inspection of career/technical shops, laboratories, and classrooms to determine that tools, supplies, and equipment are properly maintained and stored and to see that equipment is kept in good repair and operated safely.

Designated central office personnel shall work cooperatively with teachers and school administrators to annually assess the need for updated equipment, supplies, tools, and materials for career/technical classes. Each teacher shall maintain an accurate inventory of equipment, tools, supplies, furnishings, textbooks, and other materials necessary for instruction in career/technical classes. When equipment is unserviceable or obsolete, the teacher shall notify the school principal. The principal shall notify the designated central office personnel in writing of equipment, tools, or other items in need of disposal. Central office personnel will make arrangements for the removal of such items from the school and for the proper disposal of the items according to state and system regulations.

To maintain the optimum classroom learning environment, each teacher shall:

- 1. Make students aware of the importance of the proper care of tools, equipment, furnishings, and materials at school and in the work place.
- 2. Maintain tools and equipment daily.

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- 3. Maintain an accurate inventory of tools, supplies, and equipment.
- 4. Notify the principal of safety hazards and/or problems with heating, cooling, lighting, or ventilation that may interfere with learning.
- 5. Take appropriate disciplinary actions against persons who abuse facilities and/or equipment.
- 6. Secure tools, equipment, and work areas before leaving the class, laboratory, or shop area for any time.

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