

**EASTERN  
WESTMORELAND  
CAREER &  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER**

SECTION: PROGRAMS  
TITLE: COOPERATIVE EDUCATION  
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115. COOPERATIVE EDUCATION	
1. Purpose	The Joint Operating Committee endorses a cooperative relationship between the center and business and industry. Students benefit from this relationship by having the opportunity to translate learning to the workplace. Business and industry benefit by utilizing and training skilled workers.
2. Authority Title 22 Sec. 4.31, 11.8, 11.28	The Joint Operating Committee shall approve and support cooperative vocational education and work-study programs and shall supervise the nature and conduct of student employment.
3. Definition SC 1801, 1850.1 Title 22 Sec. 4.3	<b>Cooperative vocational-technical education</b> - a planned method of instruction developed through a signed cooperative arrangement among school representatives, students, parents/guardians and employers in the community to provide students with an opportunity to alternate in-school academic and vocational-technical instruction in entry-level paid employment in an occupational field, in which the student's total occupational work experience is planned, coordinated and supervised by the school in close cooperation with the employer
4. Delegation of Responsibility	The Administrative Director or designee shall be responsible for developing procedures which ensure that students participating in cooperative education and work-study programs are not exploited, illegally employed, or employed under conditions that fail to safeguard their health and safety.
	References:  School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1801, 1850.1  State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 4.3, 4.31, 11.8, 11.28