

**BOARD OF REGENTS**  
**ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS**  
**Larry Tremblay**  
**Acting Deputy Commissioner**

**SECTION:**

Workforce Education and Training

**TITLE OF INITIATIVE:**

Statewide Secondary to Postsecondary Articulation Agreement

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

In 1998, during the First Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana Legislature, Act 151 was passed, which mandated that the Board of Regents and the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, in cooperation with the Board of Supervisors of the Louisiana Community and Technical College System (LCTCS) and local school boards, enter into articulation agreements that provide opportunities for secondary school students to take vocational-technical courses and community college courses provided by institutions managed by the LCTCS Board of Supervisors. Act 151 also stipulated that instruction be provided and made accessible for students in a cost-effective manner (either on-site at the secondary or the postsecondary institution or at another location).

The **Success Through Articulation (STArt)** Committee cataloged existing statewide agreements, conducted an annual review of the agreements; evaluated existing statewide agreements to determine if requisites necessary for a standard agreement are met; and established a criteria and mechanism to determine if statewide agreements should be maintained, discontinued or revitalized as necessary. To formalize this process the Steering Committee convened a team of approximately 120 academic and technical content experts representing all levels of education to inventory, evaluate and revitalize, as appropriate, existing statewide articulation agreements. To date, there are 20 statewide articulation agreements and they are as follows:

- Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)
- Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)
- Patient Care Technician
- Sports Medicine
- A+
- Certified Internet Web Design (CIW)
- Microsoft Office User (MOS)
- IC3
- Customer Service
- Outdoor Power Equipment
- NCCER-Carpentry
- NCCER-Welding
- NCCER-Electrical
- Process Technology (P-TECH)
- Automotive
- EMT
- First Responder
- ProStart
- Teacher Cadet

For the year 2008/2009, it is envisioned that 6 more articulated courses will be added to the Statewide Articulation Agreement, those courses are: Early Childhood Development, Accounting, Financial Mathematics, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration, Criminal Justice, and Graphic Communications.

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