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September 1, 2020

Dr. Leon Poeske
Director Vocational Education
Bucks County Technical High School
610 Wistar Road
Fairless Hills, PA 19030

SENT VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Dear Dr. Poeske:

The Pennsylvania Department of Education (“PDE”) has received the Bucks County Technical High School submission of temporary provisions adopted pursuant to section 520.1 of the School Code, 24 P.S. § 5-520.1. The submission included board meeting minutes demonstrating adoption of the temporary provisions and the temporary provisions adopted, including the Bucks County Technical High School proposed calendar and academic schedule.

The temporary provisions adopted by the Bucks County Technical High School account for at least 180 days and 900/990 hours of instruction. Accordingly, the temporary provisions are approved for implementation during the period of pandemic response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Matthew Stem".

Matthew S. Stem
Deputy Secretary

**Pennsylvania Department of Education
Emergency Instructional Time Template Section 520.1
Bucks County Technical High School (AUN 122091457)**

3. The Chief School Administrator and Board President affirm the following:


- √ *The proposed school calendar and academic schedule(s) will provide all students the planned instruction needed to attain the relevant academic standards set forth in Chapter 4.*
- √ *The proposed school calendar and academic schedule(s) allow sufficient instructional time necessary for content mastery and provide instructional blocks for each grade level and content area.*
- √ *The proposed school calendar and academic schedule(s) provide at least 900 hours (elementary) and 990 hours (secondary) of in-person instruction and/or remote learning for all students. (Such time may include synchronous and/or asynchronous instruction.)*
- √ *The proposed school calendar and academic schedule(s) define instructional time for students as time in the school day devoted to instruction and instructional activities under the direction of certified school employees. (Such time may include synchronous and/or asynchronous instructional activities.)*
- √ *Clearly defined systems for tracking attendance and instructional time will be implemented to ensure student engagement in remote instruction.*
- √ *The LEA acknowledges that it must provide Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) during this pandemic-related emergency.*
- √ *The proposed school calendar and academic schedule(s) ensures ESL services for English Learners.*
- √ *Clearly defined and ongoing systems for evaluating the quality and outcomes of instructional delivery will be implemented, at least quarterly, and necessary adjustments will be made when data highlight concerns about quality, equity, and/or lack of progress in student learning.*

Bucks County Technical High School
Local Education Agency

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Leon Poeske, Chief School Administrator

08/24/2020


John Ruszin, Governing Body President

08/24/2020

08/24/2020
Date Approved at Board Meeting

Please scan and submit this entire signed document, the proposed weekly schedule, and a copy of the board minutes at which such schedule was approved to RA-EDContinuityofED@pa.gov. Any questions can be submitted to RA-EDContinuityofED@pa.gov