

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

Welding Certificate

THIS ARTICULATION AGREEMENT is between any Kansas high school student who has successfully completed a state approved **Manufacturing** Career Cluster and the **Production (48.0000)** Pathway and **Barton Community College**, Great Bend, Kansas. It will provide students with a smooth transition from high school to a postsecondary program/degree in Welding training. The intent of this cooperative effort is to provide the students with a non-duplicative program of study leading to enhanced employment opportunities.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed by and between the parties as follows:

1. The secondary student will attain concentrator status through successful completion of his/her high school **Production (48.0000)** Pathway sequence of courses.
2. Barton Community College will provide the courses listed on the attached program of Study/Course Sequence form
3. The *Certificate of Welding studies* may be granted through the Barton Community College joint agreement. The awarding of such a certificate is contingent upon the graduating high school's continuance of their KSDE approved Career Cluster Pathway.
4. Successful completion of the following **Manufacturing Production** Career Cluster Pathway course(s) will result in the student being awarded college credit for the following equivalent course(s):

High School Courses	KS Course Code	College Courses	College Credit
Successful completion of: Introduction to Industrial Technology <b>OR</b> Production Blueprint Reading <b>OR</b> Introduction to Welding  IN ADDITION TO  Production Welding Processes I <b>AND</b> Production Welding Processes II	38001 <b>OR</b> 21108 <b>OR</b> 13207  39207/18404 <b>AND</b> 39208/18407	WELD 1330 Welding I	3

5. Postsecondary Credit will be considered Advanced Placement Credit, and will be awarded upon student submission to the college of the student's high school transcript.

6. Details regarding credit awards and fees are outlined below:
  - a. College credit will only be awarded for a grade of "C" or better.
  - b. No fee will be assessed for the college credit awarded.
  - c. Student must declare Welding as their major area of interest.
  - d. College credits will be available for award after the student has successfully completed the next course in the sequence – *WELD 1353 Blueprint Reading*.
  
7. To receive Welding Certificate, students must complete a minimum of 16 hours of coursework. Students must have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or better to be eligible for a certificate from Barton Community College.
  
8. The college and any high schools offering the approved Career Cluster Pathway may advertise the programs and will jointly advise the students that this option is available to them.
  
9. This agreement may be revised/modified as needed, or in the event of cancellation, discontinuance or disapproval of any course or program by the Kansas State Department of Education or the Kansas Board of Regents.
  
10. The college agrees to evaluate this program on an annual basis and in the context of student benefits, program efficiency, and effectiveness.
  
11. This agreement shall begin January 1, 2012.
  
12. This agreement is subject to change or cancellation by the Legislature at any time in accordance with Article 6, Section 5 of the Kansas Constitution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties accept and approve THIS AGREEMENT.

Scott Smith _____ KSDE Representative	12/8/11 _____ Date
Carl R. Heilman _____ Carl R. Heilman, Barton Community College President	11/30/11 _____ Date