

June 23, 2009

Ms. Susan K. Haberstroh
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RE: 12 DE Reg. 1476 (DOE Proposed Content Standard Regulation)

Dear Ms. Haberstroh:

The State Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPD) has reviewed the Department of Education's (DOEs) proposal to adopt some discrete revisions to its content standards regulation published as 12 DE Reg. 1476 in the June 1, 2009 issue of the Register of Regulations. Council endorses the proposed regulation has the following observations.

First, the DOE proposes to add "Skilled and Technical Sciences Content Standards" to the list of approved standards documents. A reference to "Skilled and Technical Sciences" already appears in the DOE's content alignment regulation, 14 DE Admin Code 502, §3.0, amended in August, 2008. Therefore, this proposed amendment will result in consistency between the regulations.

Second, the DOE proposes to amend a cross reference to require consistency among three (3) sets of regulations, i.e., content standards (Part 501); alignment of local district curricula with State content standards (Part 502); and instructional program requirements (Part 503). This is unobjectionable.

Thank you for your consideration and please contact SCPD if you have any questions or comments regarding our position or observations on the proposed regulation.

Sincerely,

Daniese McMullin-Powell, Chairperson
State Council for Persons with Disabilities

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