

STATE OF VERMONT
AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Policy: 389

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1. Authority:

1.1. Pursuant to Title 28, V.S.A., Section 120, the Department of Corrections shall establish an education program for incarcerated offenders.

2. Purpose:

2.1. To establish and maintain within the Department of Corrections a Local Education Agency/School which:

2.1.1 Is approved by the Vermont Department of Education,

2.1.2 Is compliant with all pertinent, relevant Federal and State statutes and regulations,

2.1.3 Promulgates standards and best practices for education in Vermont's correctional facilities,

2.1.4 Is responsive to the educational needs, both academic and vocational, of incarcerated persons through the development and delivery of an appropriate curriculum of studies.

3. Applicability/Accessibility

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- 3.1. All individuals and groups affected by the operations of the Department of Corrections. Anyone may have a copy of this policy.

4. Policy

- 4.1. The Department of Corrections adheres to the fundamental belief that education can increase the capability of people to grow and develop by providing them with the knowledge and skills necessary to be responsible and productive members of society. There are inmates in Vermont's correctional facilities who are entitled, under law, to elementary and secondary education. Therefore, it is the responsibility of the Department of Corrections to establish an education capacity which attains and maintains an enrollment that supports a Corrections School.

- 4.2. In order to ensure the provisions of professional educational leadership for the Corrections Education School, the Commissioner of Corrections shall appoint an appropriately licensed Headmaster. The Department of Corrections shall promote and encourage the use of community advisory boards and community based educational services in the operation of the Corrections School. The Corrections School shall promulgate policies, directives and area/work site procedures through the Department of Corrections, to act in accordance with, and to set forth guidelines for, implementation of this policy.

- 4.3. Those policies and procedures shall prohibit and not promote discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or handicap condition.

5. Training Method

- 5.1.

6. Quality Assurance Processes

- 6.1.

7. Financial Impact:

8. References

Title 28, V.S.A., Section 120

9. Responsible Director and Draft Participants