

Update of the Career Guidance Work Team meeting on February 26, 2016.

Objective of CG Work Team -

- 1. Determine Essential Components required in a career information system for the 2016-2017 academic year in Iowa public school districts.**

Framework for Career Guidance and Iowa Code 279.61.

Iowa school district requirements:

1. The Iowa Department of Education (IDOE) approves the essential components included in a high quality career planning and decision-making information system (CIS).
2. The career guidance work team is in the process of determining the essential components of a CIS.
3. Vendors will submit CIS specs containing the essential components for IDOE approval.
4. Once approved the CIS will be added to an approved list of systems from which Iowa districts may choose to meet the mandate.

Legislative Update:

Changes to Iowa Code [279.61](#) are included in [House File 2392](#) (starting on page 2, line 27)- Career Technical Education (CTE) including Career and Academic Planning. The bill passed unanimously in the House Education Committee On March 3, the full House of Representatives voted 96-0 in favor of the bill, as amended. It is now up for consideration in the Senate.

Career Guidance Work Team - Meeting Update from February 23, 2016:

If the bill language from [House File 2392](#) passes, schools will be required to prepare students to successfully complete the essential components of a career information and decision-making system that meets the adopted standards. With this in mind, the team:

- defined the draft elements of quality career guidance and
- identified the draft components to be completed by students in order for them to develop an academic and career plan.

Next Work Team Meeting: March 30, 2016

During the next meeting, the team will use the draft elements and components from the February meeting to:

- develop the final, essential elements of a quality career guidance system and components of the system,
- determine supports needed for high quality career guidance, and
- recommend minimum standards for a career information and decision-making systems (CIS).

Next Steps:

By the end of the current legislative session:

1. The Career Guidance Work Team will make recommendations to the State Board of Education.
2. The State Board of Education will adopt emergency rules, once the CTE bill becomes law.
3. The Department will provide Iowa Code Chapter 279.61 compliance information and guidance to the field for academic year 2016-2017.

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