

6172.1/Trumbull Regional Agriscience/Biotechnology Program

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Agriscience/Biotechnology
Program

TRUMBULL REGIONAL AGRISCIENCE/BIOTECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

Policy Statement

It is the policy of the Board of Education to offer the Trumbull Regional Agriscience/Biotechnology Program in cooperation with the Connecticut State Board of Education. The program will provide a systematic educational program in agriscience and biotechnology for students in the cooperating schools districts of Bridgeport, Easton, Fairfield, Milford, Monroe, Orange, Redding, Shelton, Stratford, and Trumbull.

It is expected that instruction in the classroom and the field be directed to the development of an individual's abilities and agriscience interests including:

- Natural Resources/Environmental Science
- Pre-veterinarian Medicine Studies
- Floral Design
- Horticulture
- Agriculture Mechanics
- Equine Science
- Biotechnology
- Animal Science

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References

- Connecticut General Statutes §§ 10-64, 10-65, 10-66
- Trumbull Board of Education Policy Code 1324: Fund Raising
- Trumbull Board of Education Policy Code 4133: Reimbursement of Expenses for Approved Conference and Travel Attendance

Regulations

I. General

1. An administrator will be designated by the Trumbull Board of Education to work in conjunction with the Agriscience Department Chairperson.
2. The program will follow the legislative and regulatory directives as mandated by the State of Connecticut.
3. The facilities, provided by the State of Connecticut, are to be used primarily for agriscience/biotechnology and related courses unless written authorization for exception is made by the State of Connecticut. Requests for exception must be authorized by the Agriscience/Biotechnology Director.
4. The Agriscience/Biotechnology Director is responsible for preparing the program's annual budget to be reviewed and approved by the Trumbull High School Principal, Central Office Administration, and the Trumbull Board of Education.
5. All fundraising activities of the program will follow-Board of Education Policy 1324, "Fund Raising."
6. Every effort is to be made to maintain or exceed standards for the Agriscience/Biotechnology program established by the Connecticut State Board of Education.

II. Enrollment

1. Standards and practices to be used in admitting students to Agriscience/ Biotechnology classes are developed in cooperation with administrators, teachers, and guidance counselors.
2. A copy of these standards and practices is made available to those concerned in the cooperating school districts of the region. This information is also available on the Trumbull Public Schools website, www.trumbullps.org.
3. Maximum and minimum enrollments in Agriscience/Biotechnology classes follow State guidelines and are set by the Agriscience/Biotechnology Director after consultation with school and District administrators. Factors of economy, safety, and efficiency of instruction are considered.
4. Any student who is not admitted initially to the program is placed on the waiting list for consideration before the start of the next school year. Questions about the admissions process can be directed to the main office of the Agriscience/Biotechnology Center.

III. Personnel

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1. Unless an exception is noted, all general obligations and rights of other teachers employed by the Trumbull Board of Education apply to teachers of agriscience/biotechnology.
2. To ensure supervision of the agriscience work study program, there will be teacher coverage during the summer months and school recesses.
3. Teachers of agriscience, when required to use their personal cars in carrying out their duties, will be reimbursed at the rate of all other school employees. All travel reimbursement must be authorized and approved in accordance with procedures disseminated by the Business Office.