

**CONSIDERATION OF SENDING ASSIGNMENT TO AREA CAREER CENTERS –
RICHLAND R-I SCHOOL DISTRICT**

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Section 161.092, RSMo

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DEPARTMENT GOAL NO. 1:

All Missouri students will graduate college and career ready.

SUMMARY:

5 CSR 60-120.050 authorizes school districts to request approval from the State Board of Education to change affiliation from one area vocational school to another based upon written application submitted to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, by November 1, for the next school year.

By letter dated October 13, 2014, the Richland R-I School District has made application to change the district’s affiliation from Poplar Bluff Vocational Career Center in Poplar Bluff to the Sikeston Career and Technology Center (SCTC) in Sikeston beginning with the 2015-16 school year. Accompanying this application is a letter from the Sikeston Career and Technology Center (SCTC) in support of the change in affiliation.

RECOMMENDATION:

Based on the information presented by the school districts involved, the Department is recommending that change in affiliation be approved.

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10/13/14

Dear Assistant Commissioner Dr. Sharon Helwig,

Richland R-1 School Board and I would like to respectfully request a change in placement of vocational technical schools for Richland's students. Richland R-1 students are currently attending Poplar Bluff vocational career center and Richland R-1 is requesting to be allowed to attend Sikeston vocational career center. I have already contacted Mr. Chris Hon at Poplar Bluff concerning Richland requesting to attend Sikeston Vocational Career Center. I have also contacted Mr. Tom Williams at Sikeston concerning attending Sikeston Career Center and Mr. Williams informed me that a letter from Sikeston has already been submitted to your office concerning this matter.

Currently we are transporting our students, if we are allowed to attend Sikeston Vocational School, Richland will be able to share transportation costs with Bloomfield School. This arrangement has already been confirmed with Mrs. Toni Hill at Bloomfield if Richland is allowed to attend Sikeston vocational school.

Sikeston's Superintendent, Mr. Tom Williams has implemented a focus to increase the programs offered at Sikeston's Career Center as well as continually surveying needs of students to ensure post-graduation success is a top priority. This focus for success along with being able to share transportation costs makes Sikeston Career Center the optimal location for Richland students to succeed.

Most of Richland students' close friends at other schools attend Sikeston's career Center so it is my belief that being allowed to attend Sikeston's Career Center will increase the number of students attending vocational school which will increase the number of Richland students being successful post-graduation due to having a skill.

In closing, thank you for your consideration and for the betterment of Richland's students needing vocational placement.

Sincerely,

Frank Killian, Superintendent Richland R-1



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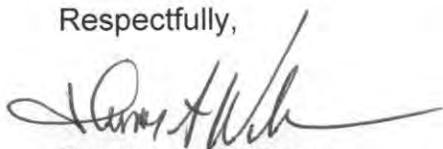
Dr. Sharon Helwig
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Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
205 Jefferson Street
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Dear Dr. Helwig:

The Richland R-1 School District has indicated an interest in their students attending the Sikeston Career and Technology Center (SCTC) for the 2015-2016 school year. Based upon the number of seats available within each program, SCTC will be able to accommodate the number of students Richland R-1 will be sending to this district. With that being said, we support and accept the Richland R-1 students attending our Sikeston Career and Technology Center for the next school year.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,



Thomas A. Williams
Superintendent of Schools

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cc: Mr. Chad King, SCTC Director
Mr. Frank Killian, Richland R-1 Superintendent

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Area Career Center Comparison Richland R-I

Poplar Bluff Technical Career Center	Sikeston Career and Technology Center
Miles to Area Career Center: 32	Miles to Area Career Center: 18
<u>Courses Offered:</u> Air Conditioning, Heating, Refrigeration Auto Body Repair Auto Mechanics Carpentry Computer Servicing Technology Cosmetology Culinary Arts/Chef Training Graphic Arts Occupations Health Service Aide Marketing Welding Technology	<u>Courses Offered:</u> Agricultural Education Auto Body Repair Auto Mechanics Business Education Construction Technology Culinary Arts Drafting and Design Technology Early Childhood Professions Family Consumer Sciences Graphic Arts Occupations Health Service Aide Law Enforcement Training Marketing Project Lead The Way/Engineering Radio/Television Broadcast Technology Welding Technology

Support Services	Support Services
Guidance/Placement Single Parent/Displaced Homemaker and Sex Equity Counseling Student Financial Assistance	Guidance/Placement Single Parent/Displaced Homemaker and Sex Equity Counseling Student Financial Assistance