

**ERIE COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL
AGENDA ITEM**

DATE: September 14, 2016

SUBJECT: Alteration of Tourism & Hospitality Management and Computer Networking Technologies Programs

CATEGORY: Operations

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DESCRIPTION:

Over time, Tourism & Hospitality Management and Computer Networking Technologies have struggled with enrollments. Both programs offer viable career options for young adults. The main enrollment issue is the off-cycle, alternative recruitment process these programs go through. The recruitment process is significantly less robust than our other 16 programs.

In consultation with the faculty members in these programs, the sending school counselors, and the superintendents, the administration is recommending we convert our Computer Networking Technologies and our Tourism and Hospitality Management programs to the three-model for the 2017-2018 school year. We are very confident this change will increase the enrollments in these programs and ensure their viability as career and technical education programs at ECTS.

Early approval is necessary so recruiting materials and processes can be adapted to reflect the change. We will also have to set aside resources so the two faculty members can adjust the curricula to reflect the additional 495 hours of instruction.

MOTION;

Motion to approve the alteration of the Tourism & Hospitality Management Program and the Computer Networking Technologies Program to a three-year program of study delivery model effective with the 2017-2018 academic year.