

Updates on CTE Standards and Assessments in Maine
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1. Progress Update on Standard and Assessment Selection:

- a. Business Studies, Graphic Arts, and Computer Repair/Install will be in process of updating program standards this fall
- b. 8 program areas have assessments selected and approved by MACTE (Auto Body, Building Trades, Cooperative Education, Composites Manufacturing, Culinary Arts, Early Childhood Education, Marketing and Sales, and Law Enforcement)
- c. 3 program areas have Assessment Group recommendations pending (Employability Skills, Pre-Engineering, and Electrical)
- d. Remaining programs scheduled for Assessment Group consideration:
 - i. September 2016: Machine Tool, Welding, Automotive Technology, Plumbing, Masonry, Fire-Fighting
 - ii. October 2016: Agriculture/Horticulture, Natural Resources, Farm Mechanics, Wood Harvesting, Heavy Equipment
 - iii. December 2016: Multimedia, Hospitality/Tourism, Biotechnology, CDL
 - iv. Remaining: Small Engine Repair, Business Studies, Computer Repair/Technology, Graphic Arts

2. Technical Standards Review Processes – attachment A:

- a. Annually, technical update groups verify standards used and their currency
- b. Every three years, technical update groups participate in full review of standards used and currency
- c. Every three years, schools that participate in comprehensive school reviews will have standards and assessments verified by Maine DOE
- d. Every three years, schools will re-certify standards being used in each of their programs with Commissioner's office

3. Assessment Group Protocol and Recommendations – attachment B

4. Location of MACTE-Approved Assessments on DOE Website

- a. www.maine.gov/doe/cte > Schools & Programs > MACTE Approved Assessments for Mandated Standards.

5. Open Invitation to Assessment Group Meetings:

- a. Thursday, September 22, 9 AM – 12 PM, Maine DOE room 500
- b. Thursday, October 27, 11 AM – 2 PM, location TBA
- c. Thursday, December 15, 9 AM – 12 PM, location TBA
- d. Peter will also begin sharing minutes and agendas with all directors