Articulation Agreement

BETWEEN

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

AND

Indiana-Kentucky-Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters Joint Apprenticeship and Training Fund

Kentucky Department of Education (hereafter "KDE") and the Indiana-Kentucky-Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters Joint Apprenticeship and Training Fund (hereafter "Program") enter into this Articulation Agreement on this 5th day of August, in the year of 2022. Kentucky Department of Education and the Program will work together to provide postsecondary opportunities for students with the Program.

Section 1: Terms of the Agreement

Direct Entry

Articulated CIM (Certificate of Initial Mastery)

The parties agree that direct entry may be awarded as follows with the Program, provided a participating student:

- 1. Applies to the Program, meets apprenticeship eligibility criteria and is accepted into the Program
- 2. Has earned a high school diploma as prescribed by Kentucky law;
- 3. Provides a Letter of Recommendation from their Welding Instructor;
- 4. Has 90% attendance or better, notwithstanding any special considerations, without precedence;
- 5. Completes the Welding Pathway;
- 6. Provides a copy of the included CIM, signed by instructor, certifying that the skill standards listed on the CIM have been achieved.

Direct Entry and up to six (6) months advanced credit in the Program

Articulated CIM (Certificate of Initial Mastery)

The parties agree that direct entry and up to six (6) months of apprenticeship credit may be awarded as follows with the Program, provided a participating student:

- 1. Applies to the Program, meets apprenticeship eligibility criteria and is accepted into the Program
- 2. Has earned a high school diploma as prescribed by Kentucky law;
- 3. Provides a Letter of Recommendation from their Welding Instructor;
- 4. Has 90% attendance or better, notwithstanding any special considerations, without precedence;
- 5. Completes the Welding Pathway;
- 6. Receives a 3G or 4G welding certification in SMAW.
- 7. Provides a copy of the included CIM, signed by instructor, certifying that the skill standards listed on the CIM have been achieved.

Welding TRACK

The parties further agree that direct entry and up to six (6) months of apprenticeship credit will be earned as follows with the Program, provided a participating student:

- 1. Applies to the Program, meets apprenticeship eligibility criteria and is accepted into the Program;
- 2. Has earned a high school diploma as prescribed by Kentucky law;
- 3. Provide a Letter of Recommendation from Welding Instructor;
- 4. Has an overall GPA of 2.0 or better and 90% attendance or better, notwithstanding any special considerations, without precedence;
- 5. Completes the Welding TRACK Pathway;
- 6. Receives the Welding TRACK Certificate.

Direct Entry and up to one (1) Year advanced credit in the Program

Articulated CIM (Certificate of Initial Mastery)

The parties agree that direct entry and up to 1 year of apprenticeship credit may be awarded as follows with the Program, provided a participating student:

- 1. Applies to the Program, meets apprenticeship eligibility criteria and is accepted into the Program
- 2. Has earned a high school diploma as prescribed by Kentucky law;
- 3. Provides a Letter of Recommendation from their Welding Instructor;
- 4. Has 90% attendance or better, notwithstanding any special considerations, without precedence;
- 5. Receives a 3G and 4G welding certification in SMAW.
- 6. Provides a copy of the included CIM, signed by instructor, certifying that the skill standards listed on the CIM have been achieved.

Section 2: Responsibilities of Parties

The parties further agree:

- That the Kentucky Department of Education and the Program will strive to maintain relationships that will permit continued development, refinement, and implementation of all components of the program, including evaluation, marketing, counseling, recruitment, and retention plans.
- Neither Kentucky Department of Education or the Program shall discriminate against any applicant or student on the basis of race, sexual orientation, creed, color, sex, age, marital status, disability, national origin or any other classification protected by Federal or applicable State constitutional/or Statutory Laws.
- That this agreement is exclusive to Kentucky Department of Education and the Program and no assurance is given that courses awarded credit through this agreement will transfer to any other post-secondary institution.

Section 2: Responsibilities of Parties

Program Responsibilities

The Program shall be responsible for:

- Ensuring that all institutional policies apply to articulated credit courses (e.g., drop/add dates, student confidentiality, faculty/student relations, student identification for distance learning, etc.).
- Registering students in articulated credit course and maintaining academic records, including grades and transcripts.
- Tuition and other fees for courses shall be outlined in writing and provide to each student prior to enrollment.
- Providing Kentucky Department of Education Welding Pathway an "Area Coordinator" who will provide coordination of the following:
 - a. Assist with the arrangement of guest speakers in certain areas of the trades;
 - b. Facilitate tours of an IKORCC Training Center annually;
 - c. Provide instructors who can assist classroom instructor with hands on instruction/ demonstrations/skills;
 - d. Assist with possible internship opportunities; and
 - e. Provide enrollment assistance.

Kentucky Department of Education Responsibilities

Kentucky Department of Education shall be responsible for:

- Promoting articulated credit opportunities among qualified high school students, parents, and high school faculty.
- Scheduling at least one classroom visit per year (at each grade level) with a representative of the apprenticeship program.

Section 3: Articulation Agreement Criteria

I. General

- Achieve a 90% attendance record.
- Maintain proper appearance by not violating the dress code.
- Observe all safety rules, pass a written and hands-on safety test, and have no safety violations on record.

II. Technical Skills

- Basic Weld Symbol Reading
- Oxy-fuel Systems
- Cutting Processes
- Basic Welding
- Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW)
- Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW)
- Gas Tungsten Arc Welding (GTAW)
- Understand industrial math

III. Knowledge of Tools and Materials

- Exhibit ability to identify hand tools and their proper use.
- Exhibit ability to identify power tools and their proper use.
- Exhibit ability to identify shop equipment and its proper use.
- Exhibit ability to identify materials by their size and use.
- Exhibit ability to read SAE tape measurement to 1/16" accuracy
- Exhibit ability to read Metric tape measurement to 1 mm accuracy

IV. Safety

- Maintain a safe work area.
- Report defective equipment.
- Exhibit proper lifting techniques.
- Exhibit safe use of hand tools.
- Exhibit safe use of power tools.

Section 4: Term and Amendment Process

This Articulation Agreement shall be effective from the date of affixing signatures and is subject to annual review by all parties of signature. Any changes must be written and reflected in a new agreement. If no changes are indicated by the annual review, continuance of this Agreement will remain in effect until terminated. Either party may terminate this agreement immediately for cause or may terminate without cause on 90 days written notice. In the event this agreement is terminated, students who are impacted shall have the opportunity to obtain credit according to the terms herein.

Section 5: Choice of Law and Forum

The laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky shall govern all questions as to the execution, validity, interpretation, construction, and performance of this agreement or any of its terms. Any suit, action or other proceeding regarding the execution, validity, interpretation, construction, or performance of this agreement shall be filed in the Franklin Circuit Court of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

In testimony thereof, witness the duly authorized signatures of the parties hereto:

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Jason E. Glass, Ed.D. Commissioner of Education and Chief Learner Kentucky Department of Education

Date: 10/07/2022

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Hope Harp Outreach Specialist Indiana-Kentucky-Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters Joint Apprenticeship and Training Fund

Date: 10/11/22-