

P.L. 88-210 A - Vocational Education Act of 1963 (VEA)

PURPOSE: To maintain, extend, and improve vocational education programs and to develop new programs. To provide programs in industrial, technical, and business education, including work experience and vocational guidance programs. To consolidate previous legislation.

DISTRICT PROGRAM: The district has planned and presented a wide variety of vocational education courses at high school and junior college levels. The district has also pioneered in developing a new concept in the development of entrance level skills for non-college youth.

RESULTS: Federal funds have encouraged the constant replanning and upgrading of vocational education classes and programs at both the high school and junior college levels. As a result (1) a complete revision of the home economics program in high schools has been made, (2) a pioneering program for high schools for basic entrance-level occupational skills of non-college students has been established, (3) vocational programs in junior colleges have been modernized and (4) a study of needs for an updating of the program in business education, based on a continuing study of needs, has begun.

CONCLUSION: Federal funds have provided incentives to state and local agencies to maintain a strong basic vocational program in spite of pressures for overemphasis on science and engineering. Demands for even greater acceleration in development of these programs indicate the need for more Federal funds.

Examples of programs provided:

High School

Business Occupations
Industrial Occupations
Nurses' Aid Program
Occupation Work Experience

Coordination of Occupations
Occupational Counseling
Home Economics Occupations

Junior College

Airline Pilot Training
Civil Engineering & Technology
Laboratory Animal Technician
Ornamental Horticulture
Quality Control & Reliability
Production Machine Technician

Turbine Engine Technician
Vocational Business
Education (Upgrading)
Vocational Trade
Technician (Upgrading)

