

# **Technology Center** Accreditation Process Overview



## **Prior to Visit**

- Visit Dates: Set visit dates between September and December. Accreditation staff will contact you 18 months prior to confirm training dates.
- Online Training: Complete training in ctYOU.
- **Virtual Preparatory Meetings:** 
  - At least two meetings with accreditation staff to prepare.
  - Only for staff responsible for the application and visit (accreditation contacts).

#### **Pre-Visits**

• Financial Aid and Civil Rights/Safety staff from ODCTE conduct pre-visits to assist with compliance preparation (spring prior to visit).

#### **Application Submission**

- Deadline: July 15 (upload to ctYOU)
- Requirements:
  - Follow Accreditation Guidelines.
  - Meet Format Specifications.
  - Include Exhibit 6 with links.
  - Upload supporting documentation to ctYOU.

#### Develop Visit Agenda (April - August)

- · Agenda Coordination: Work with accreditation staff to finalize a hybrid agenda, including:
  - Virtual Group Interviews and Onsite Observations/Interviews.
  - Approve examiners assigned to your school
  - Assign staff to virtual group interviews.
- Provide lists of:
  - Programs and instructors for observations.
  - All staff and their titles for interviews.
  - Share campus maps.
- Examiners participate in a Prep Day the day before the visit begins-no school participation is required.

## **Virtual & Onsite Visit**

## Virtual Portion:

- Conduct virtual interviews with staff and stakeholders via Zoom.
- The superintendent (or designee) starts the visit with a district overview presentation.
- Group interviews with no supervisors present during their staff's interviews.
- Examiners document information using electronic forms and write strengths/opportunity statements.

#### Onsite Portion:

- Examiners arrive at the school after the virtual portion concludes.
- Activities include:
  - Individual follow-up interviews with staff and students.
  - Program observations.
- Examiners document findings and write strengths/opportunities statements.

#### School provides:

- Examiner workroom (requirements will be emailed to Technology Center)
- Breakfast, lunch, and snacks.

### **Exit Presentation:**

o On the final day, examiners present a summary to designated staff, highlighting overarching strengths and opportunities for improvement.

## **Post-Visit**

#### Feedback Report:

- The accreditation staff will compile examiner statements and scores into a Feedback Report.
- The school will receive the report 30-60 days after the visit. Some exceptions may apply.
- The school has 30 days to review and provide a rebuttal if necessary.
- The month following the review, the Feedback Report goes to the Oklahoma State Board of Career and Technology for approval.
- The superintendent (or designee) is required to attend the Board meeting.
- If there is a corrective action required, the plan must be included in the report that goes to the Board.
- Completed Correction Action Plans must be done within 60 days of Board approval. Accreditation staff will follow up.
- The school will develop a Continuous Improvement Plan within 90 days of Board approval. The school selects one opportunity for improvement from Standards 1 – 6 to work on the next five years.
- During the 3-Year Monitoring Visit, schools will update the accreditation staff on the status of their Continuous Improvement Plan.

## **Accreditation Staff**

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