CAREER PATHWAYS  
ARTICULATION AGREEMENT  
Between  
VALENCIA COLLEGE  
AND  
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA  
This agreement (the "Agreement") is entered into this, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_day of  
\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023 by and between The School Board of Marion County,  
Florida ("School Board"), situated in Marion County, Florida, on behalf of the public high  
schools operating under the School Board's jurisdiction; and the District Board of Trustees of  
Valencia College, Florida, a political subdivision of the State of Florida ("Valencia College"),  
situated in Orange County, Florida.  
WHEREAS the School Board and Valencia College agree to cooperate in the establishment,  
maintenance, and implementation of a discipline-specific agreement for four technical programs  
(the "Programs").  
WHEREAS, by virtue of the provision of the State Board of Education Regulations for the  
Operations of Community Colleges and County School Boards, Fla. Admin. Code R. 6A-10.024,  
Articulation between Universities, Community Colleges, and School Districts, Paragraph 1 states  
each state university president, community college board of trustees, and district school board  
shall plan and adopt policies and procedures to articulate programs so that students can proceed  
toward their educational objectives as rapidly as their circumstances permit. Universities,  
community colleges, and school districts shall exchange ideas in the development and  
improvement of implementation of student acceleration mechanisms. They shall establish joint  
programs and agreements to facilitate articulation, acceleration, and efficient use of faculty,  
equipment, and facilities.  
NOW, THEREFORE, School Board and Valencia College agree to abide by the provisions  
herein below:  
I. Articulated Components of this Agreement  
Through the Career Pathways program, Valencia College agrees to extend up to 12 college  
credit hours for the high school courses outlined in Appendix A, upon successful  
completion of program specific joint assessments as determined by Valencia College.  
If changes are made in either the Valencia College curriculum or the School Board  
curriculum that require that other Valencia College credit courses be articulated, these  
courses will be substituted for those above by notifying the appropriate Career  
Pathways personnel at the School Board and Valencia College. This agreement will  
remain in place without any further action required.  
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II. Provisions of This Agreement  
A. Joint Assessment  
To receive Valencia College college credit for a specific course by joint assessment,  
high school students must meet the following criteria:  
1. The student must be identified as a Career Pathways student, defined as a student in  
an articulated, sequenced program of study, which includes a technical component  
and leads to a technical postsecondary certificate or degree and/or apprenticeship  
program.  
2. Receive a grade of "C" or above in the required high school course(s).  
3. Satisfactorily pass the Career Pathways joint assessment(s) in the articulated  
courses.  
4. Meet the regular college admission requirements.  
5. After high school graduation, enroll in at least one (1) college credit course under a  
program at Valencia College within twenty-four (24) months from graduating high  
school.  
6. After initial enrollment in Valencia College, the student must contact the Career  
Pathways office at Valencia College to receive the credits.  
B. Administration of Joint Assessment  
1. The School Board will facilitate the coordination of the joint assessment process  
with the high schools.  
2. Valencia College will provide annual updates to the joint assessment guidelines  
and criteria.  
3. The high school faculty will identify students eligible to participate in the joint  
assessment.  
4. The high school faculty will participate in the administration of the joint assessment.  
5. Valencia College will provide annual reports of the joint assessment results.  
6. In accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act and 34 C.F.R. §  
99.31(2), The School Board will provide Valencia College with the student data  
necessary to process the articulated credit.  
III. Miscellaneous Provisions  
A. Conflict of Law  
This Agreement does not supersede or release the School Board or Valencia College from  
any legal or other obligations set forth by the Board of Education or the State of Florida  
and that if any part(s) of this Agreement is (are) in conflict with any law, statute, or rule,  
then such part(s) will be deemed inoperative to the extent it conflicts there within  
and will be modified to conform to such law, statute, or rule.  
B. Funding Out  
To the extent any external funding is required by Valencia College to implement this  
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Agreement and funding for such purposes is not appropriated to Valencia College by the  
Legislature of the State of Florida or is not otherwise available to Valencia College,  
Valencia College shall thenceforth have no further financial obligations hereunder. In  
the event Valencia College does not have sufficient legislative appropriations to  
carry out any obligations under this Agreement, it will immediately notify the School  
Board of such fact and of such portions of this Agreement that are deemed terminated as  
a result of such failure of appropriations.  
C. Terms of Agreement  
This Agreement shall be effective on the date last signed by the parties and will terminate at  
the end of the business day 6/30/2024. Renewal of this agreement for three additional one  
year periods is contingent upon the same terms and conditions, the satisfactory performance  
of the parties, and the availability of funds. All parties will work collaboratively to stay  
informed of any curriculum/program changes that may impact the articulated programs in  
this agreement. If it is determined that the agreement needs to be modified or updated due to  
program changes, both institutions will be notified accordingly of the updates or changes that  
need to be made. If either party fails to follow the terms and conditions of the Agreement as  
set forth herein, the other party has the right to terminate this Agreement immediately upon  
written notice to the other. Any modifications, additions, or deletions to this agreement must  
be in writing and signed by the signatories of this document or their successors.  
D. Amendments  
The provisions of this Agreement may only be amended, supplemented, waived, or  
changed in writing with specific references to this Agreement and signed by both parties.  
E. Governing Laws  
This Agreement is governed by, construed, and enforced in accordance with the laws of  
the State of Florida. Venue for any litigation related hereto will be in Marion County,  
Florida.  
F. Entire Understanding  
This Agreement represents the parties’ entire understanding and agreement with respect  
to the subject matter hereof and supersedes any and all other communications and  
negotiations by and between the parties.  
G. Non-Discrimination  
The parties agree that no person will be subjected to discrimination in connection with  
either parties' performance under this agreement on account of age, race, color,  
disability, gender, marital status, national origin, pregnancy, and religion, . The parties  
further covenant that no otherwise qualified individual will, solely by reason of his/her  
race, color, disability, gender, marital status, national origin, pregnancy, and religion be  
excluded from participation in, be denied services, or be subject to discrimination under  
any provision of this Agreement.  
H. No Third-Party Beneficiaries  
Nothing in this Agreement should be construed as consent by any agency or political  
subdivision of the State of Florida to be sued by third parties in any matter arising out of  
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this Agreement, or to confer any rights on any third party for the purpose of allowing any  
claim which would otherwise be barred under the doctrine of sovereign immunity or by  
operation of law.  
I. Confidentiality of Student Records  
The parties understand and mutually agree that they are subject to all federal and state  
laws and School Board rules relating to the confidentiality of student information.  
The parties further mutually agree to comply with the Family Educational Rights and  
Privacy Act ("FERPA") 34 C.F.R. § 99. The parties will regard all student  
information as confidential and will not disclose student information to any third party.  
J. No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to waive  
sovereign immunity by any agency or political subdivision to which sovereign  
immunity may be applicable, or of any rights or limits of liability existing under  
§768.28, Fla. Stats. (2018). This term survives the termination of all performance or  
obligations under this Agreement and is fully binding until any applicable statute of  
limitations bars any proceeding brought under this Agreement.  
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the School Board and Valencia College have adopted this  
Agreement and cause the same to be executed by their respective officers, in accordance  
with Fla. Admin. Code R. 6A-10.024, Articulation between Universities, Community  
Colleges, and School Districts.  
FOR: FOR:  
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA OF VALENCIA COLLEGE, FLORIDA  
By: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
Allison Campbell DSC, Chair Dr. Kathleen Plinske, President  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
By: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
Diane V. Gullett, Ed.D., Superintendent Dr. Isis Artze Vega, Provost and  
Vice President Academic Affairs  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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Appendix A  
High School College  
Assessment VC Courses VC Programs  
Courses/Programs Credits  
Building Passing score on any of the Construction Construction and Civil 3  
Construction following industry Blueprint Reading Engineering Technology  
Technologies 1 certifications: BCN 1272 (CCET) A.S. degree  
(8720310) and NCCER Construction  
Technologies NCCER008  
Building  
NCCER Electrical-Level 1  
Construction  
(Secondary) NCCER010  
Technologies 2  
NCCER Masonry-Level 1  
(8720320)  
(Secondary NCCER025  
Total Credit Hours 3  
High School College  
Assessment VC Courses VC Programs  
Courses/Programs Credits  
Culinary Arts 1 Passing score on the Food Service Baking & Pastry 3  
(8800510) and/or following industry Sanitation Management A.S.  
Culinary Arts 2 certifications: Management degree or Culinary  
(8800520) Pro-Start Certification FOS 2201 Management A.S.  
(NRAE002) – Year 1 or degree or Hospitality and  
Certified Food Protection Tourism Management  
Manager (ServSafe) with A.S. degree – Restaurant  
minimum score of 75% & Food Service  
Culinary Arts 3 Passing score on Pro-Start Food Production and CSpuelicniaarlyiz Matiaonna gement 3  
(8800530) and/or Certification of Achievement Service I A.S. degree or  
Culinary Arts 4 NRAEF002 – Year 2 FSS 1203C Hospitality and  
(8800540) Tourism Management  
A.S. degree –  
Restaurant & Food  
Service Specialization  
Total Credit Hours 6  
High School College  
Assessments VC Courses VC Programs  
Courses/Programs Credits  
Health Science Minimum grade of 77% on Medical Allied Health Sciences 3  
Anatomy & Physiology test approved by Valencia Terminology A.S. degree  
College and graded by high HSC 1531  
(8417100)  
school faculty  
Or  
Health Science  
Foundations (8417110)  
Total Credit Hours 3  
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High School College  
Assessments VC Courses VC Programs  
Courses/Programs Credits  
Biomedical Sciences Assessment for award of Introduction to Biotechnology 4  
8708100 credit is minimum 80% Biotechnology Laboratory Science  
score on Bio Technician BSC 1421C A.S. degree  
Or  
Assistant (CERHB001) to  
Industrial Biotechnology  
Biotechnology industry  
(8736000)  
certification.  
Total Credit Hours 4  
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