

GARNET CAREER CENTER
Adequacy and Improvement of Physical Facilities
and Technical Infrastructure Plan
Physical Resources

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The Garnet Career Center building was originally built in 1929 as the African American high school. The garage/mezzanine section was added in the late 1950's after Garnet High School was closed and the building became a technical high school. Garnet Career Center was formed in 1971. Kanawha County Schools is responsible for all major upgrades and improvements to the campus and facility.

Because Garnet Career Center is on the National Register of Historic Places, structural changes are very limited. The goal is to diligently maintain the building structure and enhance the equipment, campus and facility as needed and allowed. The Garnet Career Center stakeholders including staff, students, all advisory committees, remain vigilant in noting needs and upgrades for the school to continually improve.

ACTIVITIES TO ACHIEVE OBJECTIVES

Equipment, program and shop upgrades will be secured through use of school funds, as well as through Kanawha County School West Virginia Department of Education program enhancement grants.

PERSONNEL RESPONSIBLE FOR PLAN

Each instructor is responsible for evaluating and assessing his or her program for equipment modernization and upgrades. Requests are made to the school principal, the county career and technical education director, the state department of education or other grant entities.

Requests made to the school principal for use of school funds will be considered for practical purposes and needs will be weighed, if funding is available. The principal may allocate finances requested. Requests made to Kanawha County Schools will be presented to the Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Schools and Career and Technical Education, for his approval. Requests made to the state department of education will be submitted to and approved by various directors as per each grant request.

The Local School Improvement Council/School Wide Advisory Committee and members of the occupational advisory committees also assist the instructors with modernization requests and suggestions as pertain to industry needs in each individual program. Together the instructors and industry professionals plan the direction and evaluate the effectiveness of the programs as well as plan for future investments and enhancements.

The School Building Authority of West Virginia was created in 1989 by the West Virginia Legislature to address the educational planning and school construction needs of the state in an efficient and economical manner. The Legislature also created a state funding mechanism that would assist local boards of education in the construction and renovation of new and existing facilities. West Virginia Code 18-9D established legislation that created a governing board made up of citizens, State Board of Education members and members of the construction trades industry to oversee the program and create policies and procedures for the governance of the School Building Authority (SBA) and staff. County boards of education are required by law to have an approved ten-year CEFPP active and on file with the WVDE and the SBA.

The instructional supply fund for each program is allocated to each teacher at the beginning of the school year. These funds are strictly for instructional supplies.

REVISED AND EVALUATED

The Garnet Career Center plan for facility and campus improvement is evaluated and revised by the Garnet Career Center leadership team annually. Plans for program enhancement and equipment modernization are handled on the school level and are evaluated and revised by the instructor, school administrator and advisory committees at minimum on an annual basis.