

Section II, Question 2a
Documentation on NTC District Incorporation

**CERTIFICATION OF AREA INCLUDED IN
VOCATIONAL, TECHNICAL AND ADULT EDUCATION DISTRICT 15**

State Law requires that by July 1, 1970, the Wisconsin Board of Vocational, Technical and Adult Education must act to include all areas in the State in school districts of vocational, technical and adult education.

On February 10, 1970, the State Board acted to create District 15 as of July 1, 1970, in accordance with the following description

Menominee County; Price County; Taylor County less the portion of the Gilman, Tony, Stanley-Boyd, Thorp, and Owen-Withee school districts; Marathon County less the portion of the Auburndale and Marshfield school districts; Langlade County less the portion of the Elcho and Rhinelander school districts; plus the portion of the Colby, Loyal, Spencer, and Abbotsford school districts in Clark County, Merrill school district in Lincoln County, Antigo, Bowler, and Birnamwood-Wittenberg school districts in Shawano County, Rosholt school district in Portage and Waupaca Counties, and Tigerton school district in Shawano and Waupaca Counties.

On March 26, 1970, this action by the State Board was approved by the Coordinating Council for Higher Education.

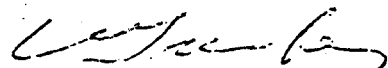
It is certified and confirmed that the aforesaid territory has been duly and properly included in District 15 as provided by law and that the boundaries of District 15 shall be changed to include all such territory within District 15 effective July 1, 1970

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Letters have been addressed to the following administrators of public school districts and the chairman of county boards which became a part of Vocational, Technical and Adult Education District 15 effective July 1, 1970, advising of the action taken by the State Board and the Coordinating Council for Higher Education in accordance with the provisions of Section 41.155 of the statutes:

Loyal Joint School District No. 1
Bowler Joint School District No. 1
Tigerton School District
Menominee County
Price County
Taylor County

I hereby certify that action in accordance with the above has been taken by the State Board of Vocational, Technical and Adult Education and the Coordinating Council for Higher Education.



State Director and Executive Officer

7/13/70

Date

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Documentation on NTC District Name Change

1993 Act 399 was signed into law by Governor Thompson on April 21, 1994. The provisions of Act 399 changed all Wisconsin Statute references for "VTAE district[s]" to "technical college[s]." In accordance with the statutory amendments, district names should be changed to correspond with official statutory designations.

Pursuant to s. 38.04(1), Stats., the State Board has authority to classify and name the district schools:

38.04 Board of vocational, technical and adult education; powers and duties. (1) GENERAL. The board shall determine the organization, plans, scope and development of technical colleges. For state aid, credit determination and other purposes, the board shall establish criteria for the establishment of district schools and shall classify and name the district schools.

It is requested that the State Board approve the individual district name changes as follows:

CURRENT NAME

Blackhawk VTAE District
Chippewa Valley VTAE District
Fox Valley VTAE District
Gateway VTAE District
Lakeshore VTAE District
Madison Area VTAE District
Mid-State VTAE District
Milwaukee Area VTAE District
Moraine Park VTAE District
Nicolet VTAE District
North Central VTAE District
Northeast Wisconsin VTAE District
Southwest Wisconsin VTAE District
Waukesha County Area VTAE District
Western Wisconsin VTAE District
Wisconsin Indianhead VTAE District

PROPOSED NAME

Blackhawk Technical College District
Chippewa Valley Technical College District
Fox Valley Technical College District
Gateway Technical College District
Lakeshore Technical College District
Madison Area Technical College District
Mid-State Technical College District
Milwaukee Area Technical College District
Moraine Park Technical College District
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Statement of Educational Purposes and Accreditation

EDUCATIONAL MISSION AND PURPOSES

Northcentral Technical College facilitates learning of high value for individuals, businesses, industries, and organizations, which builds a competitive workforce in a changing global society.

The college's mission and purposes are aligned with the Wisconsin Technical College System as defined in its charter and state statutes and are appropriate to the values of an institution of higher education. NTC's mission, vision, operating principles, and core values were developed with broad community and staff input and have been embraced by these groups. The Ends, or purposes, are consistent with the college's mission.

Northcentral Technical College:

1. Provides students with educational experience necessary to successfully gain, enhance, or retain employment.
2. Partners with business, industry, and other employers to provide the education and training necessary to maintain a competitive workforce.
3. Collaborates proactively in the economic development of North Central Wisconsin and provides leadership to meet future community workforce needs.
4. Is both geographically and programmatically accessible to all of its residents.
5. Is a leader in forming interdistrict, interagency, K-12, and postsecondary cooperative initiatives for the purpose of improving service to its stakeholders.
6. Promotes a culture that advances diversity, both organizationally and in the educational experience it provides.
7. Provides for the development of globally competent students and serves as an international/intercultural education resource for its communities.
8. Is committed to continuous improvement of learning.

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9. Meets or exceeds board-established productivity goals, thereby increasing effectiveness, efficiency, and its value to taxpayers.

ACCREDITATION

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Year of initial accreditation - 1970

Section II, Question 2b

Statement Explaining How Proposed Station Will Be Used to Advance NTC's
Educational Program

The proposed LPFM station at Northcentral Technical College supports the college's Educational Mission and Purposes in a number of respects.

1. To the extent the station can serve as a training ground for people interested in a career in broadcasting, it provides students with educational experiences necessary to successfully gain, enhance, or retain employment. NTC will develop curriculum that leads to a certificate in radio broadcasting as part of its Marketing program. Discussions with local broadcasters and the Wisconsin Broadcasters Association confirm the need for skilled people in this field. It is anticipated that those groups will partner with NTC to provide instruction, resources, and internship opportunities to provide meaningful experiences for students.
2. The college will offer classes over the station, providing yet another option for students who are place-bound or unable to attend class for other reasons. NTC has a proven track record in such modes of alternative delivery. For instance, it offers more than 100 classes over interactive TV to its regional campuses, offers classes over the Internet, and offers classes over videotape that students can view at home as their schedules permit. In this respect, the station promotes the concept that the college should be geographically and programmatically accessible to area residents.
3. The station will develop expanded ties with K-12, postsecondary, and other partners by providing free airtime, enabling them to reach out to their own constituencies. Preliminary discussions have already been held with the Wausau School District, the University of Wisconsin-Marathon County Center, the Woodson YMCA, and the Boys and Girls Club in pursuit of such initiatives.
4. A key component of the proposed station would be the programming provided by the Wausau Area Hmong Mutual Association. NTC proposes to let the Hmong Association use the station for a minimum of two hours per day, six days per week. The Association plans to use the airtime for news, ethnic music, English as a Second Language instruction, citizenship training, and storytelling for children. Radio is an ideal medium for the Hmong because of a strong oral tradition in the culture. With a population of more than 4,000 (in a city of 36,000) the Hmong community will be well-served by this new initiative. The station addresses the college's interest in promoting cultural diversity and helping develop a literate workforce.

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5. The college will offer foreign language instruction and programming in Spanish and German as part of its commitment to serve as an international/intercultural education resource for the community.

In addition to furthering NTC's educational mission and purposes, it is anticipated that the station will become a true "community" radio station, providing programming that clarifies community issues, provides an avenue of expression, and fills a niche for musical tastes that is currently not being served, particularly with jazz, blues, and folk.

A sample program schedule follows:

| | M | T | W | R | F | Sa | Su |
|---------|------------------------------|---|---|---|---|----------------------|------------------------|
| 8 a.m. | Public Affairs/Talk | | | | | Local Youth Programs | Hmong Programming |
| 9 a.m. | Instructional | | | | | | |
| 10 a.m. | | | | | | | |
| 11 a.m. | | | | | | | |
| 12 p.m. | Foreign Language Instruction | | | | | Jazz, Blues, Folk | Syndicated Programming |
| 1 p.m. | Syndicated Programming | | | | | | Public Access |
| 2 p.m. | | | | | | | |
| 3 p.m. | | | | | | | |
| 4 p.m. | Local Youth Programming | | | | | | |
| 5 p.m. | Hmong Programming | | | | | | |
| 6 p.m. | | | | | | | |
| 7 p.m. | | | | | | | |
| 8 p.m. | Jazz, Blues, Folk | | | | | | Jazz, Blues, Folk |
| 9 p.m. | | | | | | | |
| 10 p.m. | | | | | | | |