

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

ARTICULATION:	The process through which a high school course will yield college credit when completed with a grade of “B” or higher.
CAREER CLUSTER:	A grouping of occupations within an industry that provide a context for learning based on a common core of competencies.
CAREER PATHWAY:	Refers to a coherent sequence of courses that prepares a high school student for a career. A well established career pathway includes: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Integration of high academic skills and occupational learning through project-based learning2. Linkages that provide seamless transition between secondary and postsecondary institutions3. Work-based learning opportunities such as job shadowing, internships and community service learning
CO-OP PROGRAM:	Working in a job during the senior year in chosen career pathway.
INTERNSHIP:	Exploring a career pathway by working for a semester with those who are professionals in that field.
JOB SHADOWING:	Exploring various places of business; learning about the job, skills, and education for qualification, but not working.
MENTORING:	Process of having adults in the workplace serving as advisors to secondary and postsecondary students.
WORK-BASED LEARNING (WBL):	The Massachusetts Work-Based Learning Plan is organized around nine competencies, which identify the skills needed to succeed in today’s careers and higher education: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Communication and literacy2. Organizing and analyzing information3. Problem solving4. Using technology5. Completing entire activities6. Acting in a professional manner7. Interacting with others8. Understanding all aspects of the industry9. Taking responsibility for career and life choices