

281—46.12(258) Regional centers. The state board will adopt standards pertaining to regional centers. The standards include those which provide for increased and equitable access to high-quality career and technical education programs and require that regional centers incorporate appropriate educational programs, meet appropriate state and federal regulations for safety and access, maintain adequate participation, and are located within an appropriate distance of participating high schools, and that transportation is provided to all students.

46.12(1) *Minimum requirements.* As a condition for approval, a regional center will comply with standards adopted by the board and consist of a minimum of four career academies on site. A regional center will be compatible with the development of a statewide system of regional centers serving all students. A regional center will serve either of the following:

- a.* A combined minimum of 120 students from no fewer than two school districts.
- b.* A minimum of four school districts.

46.12(2) *Approval.* The director will approve all facilities meeting the standards for regional centers under this rule.

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