Preparatory secondary career and technical education programs—Criteria.  All approved preparatory secondary career and technical education programs must meet the following minimum criteria:

(1) Either:
   (a) Lead to a certificate or credential that is state or nationally recognized by trades, industries, or other professional associations as necessary for employment or advancement in that field; or
   (b) Allow students to earn dual credit for high school and college through career and technical education, advanced placement, or other agreements or programs;

(2) Be comprised of a sequenced progression of multiple courses that are technically intensive and rigorous; and

(3) Lead to workforce entry, state or nationally approved apprenticeships, or postsecondary education in a related field. [2022 c 75 § 6; 2008 c 170 § 103; 2006 c 115 § 2. Formerly RCW 28C.04.110.]