

New law creates the Northshore Technical Community College as a multi-campus, public institution of postsecondary education under the supervision and management of the Board of Supervisors of Community and Technical Colleges, subject to the appropriate approval of and oversight by the Board of Regents.

Provides that the Northshore Technical Community College:

1. Shall provide a comprehensive educational program which may include career and technical education and training, workforce development training, adult basic education, continuing education, general education, associate degree programs, college transfer degree programs, and other educational programs and opportunities.
2. May grant certificates, diplomas, associate degrees, and associate transfer degrees as authorized by the LCTCS Board of Supervisors and the appropriate regional accrediting body as recognized by the U.S. Dept. of Education.
3. Shall provide educational programs and services through the Florida Parishes Campus, the Hammond Area Campus, and the Sullivan Campus of the Louisiana Technical College, and any other postsecondary campus or institution which may become a part of the Northshore Technical Community College or its primary service delivery area.

Requires the LCTCS Board of Supervisors and the Board of Regents to work closely with the Northshore Technical Community College and the appropriate accrediting body to ensure that the institution and all program offerings are fully accredited.

Requires the LCTCS Board of Supervisors to submit a written report to the Senate and House education committees relative to the status of the Northshore Technical Community College, not later than January 1, 2012 .

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(Amends R.S. 17:3217.1(A); adds R.S. 17:3230)