

**Administration and Operations**

**255 Definitions of Types of Schools**

**1.0 Purpose**

The purpose of this regulation is to define various types of schools and educational entities operating in the State of Delaware identified in Title 14 of the Delaware Code.

**20 DE Reg. 547 (01/01/17)**

**2.0 Definitions**

The following words and terms are applicable unless a specific regulation, statute or the context in which they are used clearly indicates otherwise:

**"Charter School"** means a non-home-based public school including two or more of grade kindergarten through twelve, operating in an approved physical plant for the personal physical attendance of all students and is managed by a board of directors. It exists under a charter granted by a public school district or the Delaware Department of Education, with the approval of the State Board of Education, pursuant to 14 **Del.C.** Ch. 5.

**"Homeschool"** means a nonpublic school as defined in 14 **Del.C.** §2703A.

**"Local Education Agency (LEA)"** means a reorganized traditional school district, vocational/technical school district, or Charter School, legally constituted and established under Delaware law for either administrative control or direction of public elementary or secondary school(s).

**"Nonpublic School"** means a private school or any home school as defined in this regulation or 14 **Del.C.** §2703A.

**"Private School"** means a school having any or all of grades kindergarten through twelve, operating under a board of trustees and maintaining a faculty and plant which are properly supervised.

**"Public School"** means a physical plant having any or all of grades kindergarten through twelve, supported primarily from public funds and under the supervision of public school administrators. A Charter School, as defined herein, is also a public school.

**"Reorganized School District"** means a clearly defined geographic subdivision of the state organized for the purposes of administering public education in that area.

**"School District"** means either a Reorganized School District or a Vocational-Technical School District or both depending upon the context in which the term is used.

**"Vocational-Technical School District"** means a subdivision of the state, the boundaries of which are co-extensive with the boundaries of the county in which it is located, organized for the purposes of administering vocational and technical education in that area.

**4 DE Reg. 1251 (02/01/01)**

**7 DE Reg. 618 (11/01/03)**

**12 DE Reg. 668 (11/01/08)**

**20 DE Reg. 547 (01/01/17)**