Article 25. AO-K to Work Program

88-25-1. Program title. The AO-K to work program, which is also called the Kansas pathway to career, shall provide a way to earn a Kansas high school equivalency credential to each qualified student. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 74-32,267; effective P-________________________.)
88-25-2. AO-K career pathways; industry-recognized credentials. The AO-K career pathways and industry-recognized credentials shall be the approved pathways and the five categories of credentials listed in the Kansas board of regents’ document titled “AO-K career pathways: approved credentials and pathways list,” dated August 30, 2019, which is hereby adopted by reference. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 74-32,267; effective P-________________________.)
88-25-3. **Career readiness certificate.** The career readiness certificates shall be the following:

(a) The Kansas WorkReady! earned after July 1, 2008, at the silver, gold, or platinum level; and

(b) the ACT® WorkKeys® national career readiness certificate® earned after April 1, 2019, at the silver, gold, or platinum level. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 74-32,267; effective P-________________________.)
88-25-4. High school equivalency requirements. In addition to the requirements specified in K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 74-32,267(c)(1)(A)-(C) and amendments thereto, each applicant shall be required to demonstrate high school equivalency in math, English language arts, and civics to earn a high school equivalency credential as specified in this regulation.

(a) High school equivalency in math shall be demonstrated by any of the following:

(1) Scoring a 145 or above on the general educational development (GED) math test;

(2) scoring an 18 or above on the ACT® math test;

(3) scoring a 596 or above on the TABE® 11&12 math test;

(4) scoring a 250 or above on the Accuplacer quantitative reasoning, algebra, and statistics test;

(5) passing college algebra with a grade of C or above from an accredited postsecondary institution;

(6) passing Kansas regents shared number (KRSN) Mat1040, contemporary and essential math, with a C or above from an accredited postsecondary institution; or

(7) scoring a 5 (level score) or above on the ACT® WorkKeys® applied math test.

(b) High school equivalency in English language arts shall be demonstrated by any of the following:

(1) Scoring a 145 or above on the GED English language arts test;

(2) scoring an 18 or above on the ACT® reading test;

(3) scoring a 576 or above on the TABE® 11&12 reading test;

(4) scoring a 255 or above on the Accuplacer reading test;
(5) passing KRSN Eng1010, English composition 101, with a grade of C or above from an accredited postsecondary institution; or

(6) scoring a 5 (level score) or above on the ACT® WorkKeys® workplace documents test.

(c) High school equivalency in civics shall be demonstrated by scoring at least 70 percent on the Kansas pathway to career civics assessment. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 74-32,267; effective P-_________________________.)
88-25-5. Fee. The fee for each application for the issuance or duplication of a Kansas high school equivalency credential shall be $25. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 74-32,267; effective P-_________________________.)