Technical Schools and Classes : Attendance Grants.

REGULATIONS DATED 7TH JUNE, 1934, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, NORTHERN IRELAND, UNDER SECTION 77 OF THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923 (13 & 14 GEO. 5, CH. 21), AND DULY LAID BEFORE PARLIAMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 99 OF THE AFORESAID ACT.

1934. No. 44.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Technical Attendance Grants Regulations, 1932, Amending Regulations No. 1, 1934.

2. Regulations 15 and 16 of the Technical Attendance Grants Regulations, 1932 (hereinafter called the "Principal Regulations") are hereby repealed and the following Regulations substituted therefor :—

"**15.** The grant payable to the managers of each recognised school or class shall be proportional to the number of grant units assigned in respect of the attendances made by students."

"**16.** A. The number of hours of attendance made by students in recognised technical schools and classes in respect of which a grant unit may be assigned shall be in accordance with the following scale :—

(1) For instruction given before 6 p.m. on week-days other than Saturdays or before 1 p.m. on Saturdays—

(i) in specialised courses for apprentices ..	50
(ii) in specialised courses in commerce ..	200
(iii) in specialised courses other than the above	75
(iv) in classes other than the above ..	200

(2) For instruction given after 6 p.m. on week-days other than Saturdays or after 1 p.m. on Saturdays—

(i) in specialised courses in commerce first and second years	60
Higher years	30
(ii) in specialised courses in art and in domestic economy	30
(iii) in specialised courses other than in commerce, art and domestic economy first and second years	30
Higher years	20
(iv) in classes not forming part of specialised courses or to students not recognised as specialised course students	100

(3) For instruction in recognised classes in centres other than in recognised technical schools— 100

"B. (1) For instruction given in a recognised junior technical school 14 grant units shall be assigned in respect of each student who has made not less than 130 attendances within the school year.

(2) For instruction given in a recognised junior commercial school 8 grant units shall be assigned in respect of each student who has made not less than 130 attendances within the school year.

Provided however—

(*a*) that not more than five attendances in any one week may be taken into account in computing the total number of attendances made by a student in a school year, and

(*b*) that the Ministry may assign grant units in respect of a student who has made less than 130 attendances where it can be shown to the satisfaction of the Ministry that the attendances were adversely affected by epidemic sickness or other serious difficulty affecting the school as a whole.

"C. For the purposes of this Regulation—

(1) an attendance at a junior technical school or a junior commercial school shall mean that a student on any day has been present under instruction in the school in accordance with approved time-tables for not less than four hours, provided however that on a day which is a school half-holiday the presence of any student under instruction in the school for not less than two hours may be reckoned as an attendance ;

(2) the minimum time constituting an attendance may include (i) any time occupied by attendance during school hours at an examination approved by the Ministry and (ii) any time occupied by visits paid during school hours under arrangements sanctioned by the Ministry to places of educational value or interest.

3. In respect of a student transferred during the school year from one recognised junior technical school or junior commercial school to another recognised junior technical school or junior commercial school the Ministry may divide the grant between the two schools as it may think fit or may pay the whole or part of the grant to one of the schools, or may refuse to pay grant to either school.

4. These Amending Regulations shall take and have effect as from 1st August, 1934, and shall thereafter be construed with and as forming part of the Principal Regulations.

Given under the Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland this 7th day of June, 1934.

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Secretary.