

Dover board considers options in JVS setup

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ly handle as many as 1600.

"Any student in the Buckeye JVS school district who wants to attend may go there," he stated, adding that some would have to make "second or third choices" in the courses they took.

He explained that 35 courses presently planned would cover a variety of subjects, and that many of the "second or third choice" courses actually would be specialized classes in the first-choice field.

Explaining the proposed operation, Carlisle said:

— Each class will contain 12-25 students.

— Students will spend six hours per day at JVS, from 8:20 a.m. to 2:20 p.m.

— Students should be in the junior or senior class and have accumulated seven credits for graduation at Dover High before attending JVS.

— Classes will comprise three-hour

labs plus an hour and a half of related classroom work for a possible four vocational credits, plus an academic credit in English or social studies, totaling five credits a year.

DOVER SUPT. Bill Kinneer and guidance counselor Merle Whitis both stated the JVS would be a "branch" of Dover High, offering training and course selection which the high school could not do on its own.

"Students will be Dover High students," Kinneer said, "who are able to participate in Dover activities and will receive a Dover High diploma."

Tom Kane, guidance counselor, explained the objectives of career planning and outlined the required Ohio Vocational Interest Survey, which interested sophomores will take next week.

"Some of these important decisions must be made in the 10th grade," Kane said, "for entrance to the JVS as a junior."

After the board of education adjourned to the administration building for its regular session, Dave Myers, Buckeye JVS counselor, discussed enrollment procedures with the parents and students. Myers will present the information to the board at a subsequent session.

TOM CONWELL, chairman of the industrial arts department, presented proposals for using the vacated vocational areas for an expanded industrial arts program.

He pointed out that Dover presently is not meeting recommended standards for 8th grade general shop courses and the added space could mean the course can be expanded from a semester to a full year.

"Industrial arts courses are not vocational courses," Conwell stated. "They often are stepping-stones to vocational courses and experiences at other schools indicate that industrial arts class enrollments usually go up when a vocational school is in operation."

Suggested curriculum changes were:

— To change the present girls industrial arts class to an expanded coed class which would provide more instruction for the academic students.

— To offer a home mechanics course which would offer basic instruction in home maintenance and repair.

— To provide noncredit mini-courses for all students covering such areas as automotive maintenance, electrical repairs, etc.

— To expand the graphic arts department to include a laboratory course in photography.

KINNEER POINTED out that when the JVS opens, a portion of Dover's machine shop equipment will go to the vocational school, where needed, but the remainder will be sold. "The money from the machine shop sales could be used to expand the industrial arts facilities," he said. He also stated some capital improvements money would be available for the renovation.

Members of the industrial arts department have prepared preliminary blueprints for the proposed changes but did not have cost estimates. They indicated that if the department expanded, it would require an additional teacher.

The board took no action on the proposals but expressed interest, pending further study.

Jim Zifer, board member-elect, was asked to serve on the Buckeye JVS board after he becomes a member in January. Zifer will replace Paul Quick-sall, retiring member, who attended his last Dover board meeting Monday night. LaVerne King is a carry-over member on the JVS board.

The impact of the Buckeye Joint Vocational School, scheduled to open next September, was studied by Dover board of education members from two viewpoints Monday night — the operation of the JVS and the changes which may occur within Dover Junior and Senior High as a result of the vocational school.

Prior to the business meeting, board members joined some 50 parents and students who heard JVS officials outline curriculum and schedule plans.

Later, the board heard a report from the high school industrial arts department on proposed utilization of the vacated machine shop space and program expansion.

JVS Supt. Joe Carlisle explained to the parents that the new facility expects to accommodate 600 to 750 students next September. He said the building has been designed to ultimate-