

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
March 21, 2018

OFFICE OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

- D. Award discretionary grant to the Research and Curriculum Unit at Mississippi State University to enhance the statewide system of support and coordinated services for Career and Technical Education to local school districts (as per State Board Policy, Rule 84.7)

Purpose: The Research and Curriculum Unit (RCU) at Mississippi State will provide the following services for Office of Career and Technical Education at the Mississippi Department of Education (MDE):

- Develop, update, and revise secondary curriculum
- Explore and develop emerging curriculum designs for high-need areas in Mississippi
- Develop reports of program characteristics, alignment with postsecondary programs, and begin to identify partners to assist with identification of the number of jobs per career cluster
- Study the Career and Technical Education (CTE) program capacity at the local level to determine demand for CTE programs across Mississippi
- Update the CTE graduation rate report
- Coordinate and manage the CTE administrator academy endorsement program
- Manage and coordinate the second year of the CTE Leaders Network pilot providing CTE administrator's professional learning that is sustainable for centers
- Create and coordinate the CTE Design Network
- Continue offering the new teacher induction program
- Provide professional development as requested by MDE for teachers and administrators to meet requirements for endorsements, licensure, and program updates
- Provide technical assistance and coordination for the annual MS-ACTE and MDE CTE conference
- Provide assistance with CTE-related pilot programs that include career academics, computer science, and other innovative career program pilots
- Provide necessary learning opportunities via Canvas to obtain and renew endorsements/licensure requirements
- Plan and collaborate with local school districts on CTE course development
- Expand the new teacher induction program
- Publish documents and provide guidance to promote CTE programs

Funds for this grant are appropriated annually and are contingent on final legislative appropriations. The RCU shall assume full responsibility for the expenditure of these funds in accordance with state laws.

Scope of Grant:

- Grant Period: July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019
- Award Amount: Up to \$ 2,983,540
- Method of Award: State Board Policy, Rule 84.7
State Board Policy, Rule 85.2

Funding Source: State Funds

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

State Board Policy

Chapter 84: Vocational, General Administration (Career and Technical Education)

Rule 84.7 Designation of Agents for the Delivery of Career and Technical Education Services.

The delivery of all career-technical education programs, projects, services, etc. shall be through the public secondary, community/junior colleges, and special state institutions.

The delivery of professional development, training, and teacher education activities shall be through appropriate delivery systems.

The delivery of research, curricula, industry training materials and specialized professional development services shall be through the Research and Curriculum Unit for Career and Technical Education at Mississippi State University.

Source: *Miss Code Ann. 37-31-103, 37-31-205(1) (Revised 10/2011)*

Chapter 85: Vocational, Annual Operating Budget (Career and Technical Education)

Rule 85.2 Allocation of Career and Technical Education Plan Funds. The State Board of Education shall not allow any vocational plan funds to be distributed to a local educational agency unless that district has an approved or approvable local plan for career and technical education on file with the Office of Career and Technical Education for the fiscal year in which funds are being requested.

The State Board shall use a formula in allocating federal vocational funds (85% Title II- Carl Perkins) to local educational agencies as required by federal statutes. The Office of Career and Technical Education shall be responsible for updating the formula each year to ensure a fair and equitable allocation of funds to the eligible recipient. The State Board shall make a determination at the beginning of each plan period of the counties that are classified as economically depressed based on either of the following two factors:

1. Counties that have over one and half times the national unemployment rate for the past 3 years.
2. Counties that have 20% or more of their families below the poverty level.

The Office of Career and Technical Education shall be responsible for making this determination for the State Board and for the allocation of Title III B-Carl Perkins funds and for targeting Title II-Carl Perkins funds.

Funds (85% Title II-Carl Perkins) allocated to local educational agencies shall be allocated by the distribution formula and will be administered by the local plan/application.

Funds (Title II-Carl Perkins) allocated to local educational agencies for nontraditional services shall be awarded on an RFP project basis with priorities given to depressed areas.

Funds (1% Title II-Carl Perkins) for correctional institutional services shall be awarded to the Department of Corrections for vocational support services and shall be limited to salaries and equipment.

Funds (state and federal) allocated to local educational agencies for vocational adult short-term programs shall be distributed on a class request basis.

Funds (Title III E-Carl Perkins) allocated for Tech Prep shall be awarded on an application basis and shall be administered through the public community/junior colleges.

Funds (state vocational) allocated to local educational agencies for support of ongoing programs shall be continuous unless notification is given prior to March 1st preceding the next fiscal year and shall be distributed through the ongoing program process.

Funds distributed to Mississippi State University/Research and Curriculum Unit shall be allocated by grant agreement.

Source: *Public Law 101-392 (Revised 11/2011)*