

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
Consent Agenda
April 18, 2024

OFFICE OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

- F. Approval of methodology to award grant dollars to non-profit entities for professional development in the areas of workforce development and economics education

Background and Purpose: These funds are being awarded to support and expand efforts to recruit, train, and retain quality educators for Mississippi districts in the areas of workforce development and economics education. To receive funding, the applicant must submit a grant proposal that includes a narrative describing the project, a description of the activities that the grant will support, a budget summary, and a description of the process to evaluate the initiative. A Selection Committee will review and assess the quality of the proposals. Awardees will also be required to submit an annual report. Funding awards are renewable for up to three years upon successful performance. The Mississippi Department of Education staff will be responsible for monitoring grant deliverables and outcomes.

Eligibility: Any non-profit entity that offers professional development in the areas of workforce development and economics education is eligible to apply.

Funding Source: State, Federal, and/or Other funds

Basis for Awarding the Grants: Competitive

Funding will be awarded based on a 100-point scale and the highest ranking of scores will be funded until funds are depleted.

Recommendation: Approval up to five (5) years

Back-up material: None