

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
Consent Agenda
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OFFICE OF ACADEMIC EDUCATION

- F. Approval of methodology to reimburse costs incurred by school districts and charter schools related to Advanced Placement, dual credit, International Baccalaureate, Cambridge, diploma endorsements, and WorkKeys

Background and Purpose: In accordance with Mississippi House Bill 1643 (2019), \$1,000,000 shall be for courses, curriculum and training, and exam costs including Advanced Placement, dual credit, International Baccalaureate, Cambridge, diploma endorsements (career and technical, academic and distinguished academic) and WorkKeys.

The school district or charter schools shall request reimbursement based on the following priorities:

- First, funds shall be used to offer all Career Technical Education (CTE) program completers from the prior school year the ACT WorkKeys assessments to earn a National Career Readiness Certificate (ACT WorkKeys NCRC®).
- Secondly, the school district or charter school shall prioritize ACT WorkKeys assessments for other students who have a need or desire to take the ACT WorkKeys assessments to earn a NCRC.
- Lastly, remaining funds shall be used by districts to pay for current fiscal year expenditures associated with dual credit courses taken at in-state institutions, Advanced Placement course and exam fees, International Baccalaureate course and exam fees, and Cambridge course and exam fees, based on district priority.

School districts and charter schools shall be required to submit documentation of current fiscal year expenditures for the above activities prior to claiming for reimbursement of related expenditures. This documentation of expenditures and the request for reimbursement may be submitted beginning on November 1 of the current fiscal year. All documentation of expenditures and request for reimbursement must be received no later than June 12th of the fiscal year for reimbursements to be processed.

Eligibility: School districts and charter schools are eligible to receive grant funds.

Funding Source: State

Basis for Awarding the Grants: Formula

Funds shall be awarded based on the following methodology:

Each school district and charter school shall receive an allocation based on a per-pupil basis amount. The per pupil amount shall be calculated as follows:

Per Pupil Amount = $\$1,000,000 \div$ Previous School Year's Month 1 Total Number of Enrollment of grades 9-12 in school districts and charter schools

Allocation = Per Pupil Amount x School District or Charter School Previous School Year's Month 1 Enrollment of grades 9-12

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material: None