

Highlights on the \$50M for CTE

Goal: “To create greater incentive for California Community Colleges to develop, enhance, retool, and expand quality career technical education offerings that build upon existing community college regional capacity to respond to regional labor market needs.”

Funds: “Earmarked for CTE equipment, curriculum development, professional development, and other related costs necessary to develop, enhance, retool and expand quality career technical education offerings.”

Match: Match is not required but it will be a factor in the allocation of funding. Applications with significant match and industry support will be more desirable than those without match.

Criteria:

- Occupations and sectors that are demonstrated to be in-demand in the regional labor market;
- Occupations for which regional production of employees is insufficient to meet labor market demand; and
- Demonstrated regional alignment of program and curricula.

Priority for funding shall go to programs that meet all the above and meet one or more of the following criteria:

- Priority sectors identified by the region.
- Emerging sectors identified by the region.
- Articulated with K-12 or four year institutions.

Allocation:

- Funds for each region will be calculated based on CTE FTES, FTES, and the number of colleges.
- Within each region: 60% will go to individual colleges and 40% to joint applications to encourage coordination. If there are too many applications, they will become competitive.

Timeline

- July: Listening sessions
- August/Sept: Communications previewing rollout
- Sept: Launch of online application
- Sept-Nov: RC certification of rolling applications
- 1/15/15: First wave of proposals approved (by LAOCRC)
- 3/15/15: Second wave of proposals approved
- 6/30/15: Fiscal agents must encumber funds
- 6/30/16: Subcontractee colleges must expend funds

Roles and responsibilities

- Individual colleges and districts shall be responsible for identifying eligible programs and their faculty, implementing courses and programs to meet regional capacity needs, participating in regional coordination efforts, articulating with K-12 and four year institutions, and submitting outcome data to the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges.
- The Regional Consortia shall be responsible for certifying labor market demand with input from regional employers and essential workforce and economic development partners, prioritizing investment of funds according to industry sections and occupations, and ensuring regional coordination.
- The district designated as the fiscal agent in each region shall be responsible for distributing the funds to each district within its region following certification by the Regional Consortia that the programs submitted by the districts and colleges for funding meet the criteria.

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