



Summary of CTE Enhancement Proposal

Through the state budget, the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office announced that they would be distributing an additional \$50 million "to create a 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."

The details of this distribution are still being worked out. This summary is intended to update stakeholders on this changing process.

These funds are earmarked for "CTE equipment, curriculum development, professional development, and other related costs necessary to develop, enhance, retool and expand quality career technical education offerings."

Budget Language States:

1. CTE programming must meet the following criteria:
 - Be for occupations and sectors that are demonstrated to be in-demand in the regional labor market;
 - Be for occupations for which regional production of employees is insufficient to meet labor market demand; and
 - Demonstrate regional alignment of program and curricula.
2. Priority for funding shall go to programs that meet all the above and that meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - Are in priority sectors identified by the region.
 - Are in emerging sectors identified by the region.
 - Are articulated with K-12 or four year institutions.
3. There is an industry match suggested, but not required. Industry support is required. Proposals, equally ranked, may receive higher consideration with significant industry match. Match may be in-kind

Distribution:

- The funds will be distributed to the colleges through the Regional Consortia by formula that is being developed based on CTE FTEs, FTEs, and the number of colleges.
- The regions will distribute 60% of the funds to local colleges and 40% to regional collaboratives through a competitive grant process.
- Regional Consortia will need to encumber the funds by June 30, 2015 and funds will need to be spent by colleges by June 30, 2016.

Timeline:

August	Approval of 60/40 split and definition of match requirements
August	Consultation with stakeholders
September	Approval by Board of Governors
Early fall	Online project application released, with applications for college, multi-college within region, and multiple-region grants
Late fall	Review by Regional Consortia. Identification of occupational areas where multiple college investments would benefit from consultation/collaboration
January 2015	First wave of proposals approved All submitted proposals must be reviewed by RC by this date or they are automatically approved
Mid March 2015	Second wave of proposals approved Report due to Legislature
April 2015	Funds not committed at college or regional level reallocated to where needed
June 2015	Funds fully committed
June 2016	All funds spent