

## **2015-16 PDE Career & Technical Education Equipment Grant**

Grant Overview: The purpose of the Career and Technical Education Equipment Grant program is to purchase equipment for programs that meet industry standards. Grants must be used to purchase equipment for the purpose of training students (i.e., hands-on use of the equipment) in approved career and technical education programs. The career and technical education programs must align with the following Pennsylvania targeted industry cluster areas and the specific high-priority jobs within each cluster area:

**MATCHING FUNDS REQUIRED.** The CTE Equipment Grant is a 50/50 matching grant. Matching funds may be district monies, or funds provided by a business, industry, or other partner. State and Federal funds may not be used as a match, nor may vendor discounts.

For the purposes of the grant, equipment is considered to be any item that is used to teach skills and/or provide information directly to Career and Technical Education students, costs \$3,000 or more per unit, is expected to last more than a 12-month fiscal period, and is considered to be more practical to repair than replace when damaged or broken.

The administration is currently working with the administration and instructional staff at the Warren County Career Center to determine existing equipment needs and

Amount of Award: \$50,000.00 maximum state portion.

Due Date/Notification of Award: Due April 30, 2016. Notification date unknown.

Alternatives if not Awarded: The proposed equipment will not be purchased without the grant funding.

WCSD Resources Required: At least 50% of the total proposal must be funded through a local match. Matching funds may be cash (outside of other grant monies) and/or in-kind donations.

Administrative Recommendation: That the Board of School Directors instructs the administration to work with staff at the Warren County Career Center to prepare and submit an equipment proposal to the Career and Technical Education Equipment Grant offered through the Pennsylvania Department of Education.