

2016-17 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.

The administration is proposing the purchase of four (4) lathes and two (2) shop presses to benefit the Automotive Technology and Machine Technology Programs of Study at the Warren County Career Center. Because the grant is a 50/50 matching competition, the proposed financing of the grant is as follows:

- \$43,034 – Competitive Equipment Grant
- \$52,334 – Matching funds from the WCSD

The matching funds amount is higher than a 50% match due to the inclusion of costs, such as installation, shipping/handling, that are not eligible for grant funding.

Additional monies from the Perkins 2016-17 grant will be used to purchase other items related to the lathes, in an effort to reduce the proposal costs.

Amount of Award: \$43,034

Due Date/Notification of Award: Due September 23, 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 submit an equipment proposal to the Career and Technical Education Equipment Grant offered through the Pennsylvania Department of Education.