

2024-25 PDE Career & Technical Education Competitive 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 Pennsylvania targeted industry cluster areas and the specific high-priority jobs within each cluster area. Items purchased must cost \$3,000 or more per unit.

MATCHING FUNDS NOT REQUIRED. Once again, PDE has removed the matching requirement usually attached to this funding.

The administration is currently working with the various Occupational Advisory Committees (OACs) that support the Warren County Career Center (WCCC) Programs of Study to determine equipment needs and provide official recommendations. The grant application will reflect those recommendations.

Amount of Award: \$85,000.00

Due Date/Notification of Award: Due November 8, 2024. Notification date unknown.

Alternatives if not Awarded: Equipment will not be purchased without the grant funding.

WCSD Resources Required: None required.

Administrative Recommendation: That the Board of School Directors directs the administration to submit an application to the Competitive Equipment Grant for eligible equipment for programs at the Warren County Career Center up to the maximum amount.