

PDE 2011 Equipment Grant

Grant Overview: The purpose of this grant program is to purchase equipment for programs that meet industry standards. Grants shall be limited to the purchase of 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 targeted Pennsylvania industry cluster areas and the specific high priority jobs identified under each cluster area.

At this time, the administration is considering the purchase of equipment to enhance the Power Equipment curriculum at the Warren County Career Center (WCCC). Equipment purchased may have future application in potential oil/gas studies that may be made available through the WCCC in the future.

Amount of Award: Between \$3,000 and \$50,000.

Due Date/Notification of Award: Due December 3, 2010, with notification in approximately 60 days.

Alternatives if not Awarded: The project will not take place without the grant funding.

WCSD Resources Required: A 1:1 match is required, which will come from money budgeted for the use of the Warren County Career Center. Local businesses in the industry cluster targeted in the WCCC app will be approached for donations to offset the amount of matching funds required from the WCCC.

Administrative Recommendation: That the Board of School Directors instructs the administration to work submit a grant application to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for the 2011 Equipment Grant, with the purpose of purchasing equipment that will enhance high-priority job clusters in the region.