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TO: School District Superintendents
Curriculum Coordinators
Career and Technical Education Coordinators
Technology Coordinators
Principals

FROM: Shelley Hamel, Chief Academic Officer

DATE: December 2, 2019

SUBJECT: Workforce Discovery Grants

WORKFORCE DISCOVERY GRANTS NOW AVAILABLE

The [Carl D. Perkins Act of 2006](#) grants federal funds to Career & Technical Education (CTE) programs, which is disbursed as a competitive grant through eligible administrative agencies. The Act describes eligible agencies and eligible CTE programs, as well as the formula used to determine the grant amount. The grant may be awarded to CTE programs in rural areas, areas with high numbers of CTE students, or areas with high percentages of CTE students. This grant may be used to support innovative CTE initiatives at the secondary and post-secondary levels, specifically those that do the following:

- 1) Develop more comprehensive and robust career pathways leading to viable career or post-secondary training options for students;
- 2) Provide work-based learning experiences for students that are in industries closely related to CTE pathways;
- 3) Develop meaningful partnerships between schools/institutions and business/industry representatives.

To be eligible for the grant, both secondary and post-secondary applicants must have at least one formal partnership established with a business or industry (this may include a registered apprenticeship). Preference will be given to applications that include a local [Next Generation Sector Partnership](#). For information on how to establish a formal apprenticeship program, contact Michael Broad at broad.michael@dol.gov.

Applications will be reviewed and scored by a grant review committee at the WDE, and amounts awarded will be equal to or less than \$12,000 each. Applications will be accepted until January 2, 2020.

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