

Career & Technical Education Incentive Grants

Program At A Glance

The program grants school districts up to \$1,000 for each student that earns an industry-recognized certification in an occupational field facing workforce shortages.

The program **grants school districts up to \$1,000** for each student that earns an industry-recognized certification in an industry facing workforce shortages.

- Funds do not need to be obligated within the fiscal year received.
- Funds go to school districts, not students.
- Funds are intended to support programming that results in students earning these certificates.
- There is a maximum of \$3,000,000 in grant funding for this program.
- If more than 3,000 valid students are submitted, awards will be prorated among all applicants.
- School districts are the only valid applicants for these grants.

The program grants school districts up to \$1,000 for each student that earns **an industry-recognized certification** in an industry facing workforce shortages.

- A list of approved certifications will be published each year.
- Only students earning certifications from that list will be counted for grant awards.
- School districts can apply to add new certifications to the next year's list.
- Applications should be sent to DWD between **August 1** and **October 31, 2016**.

The program grants school districts up to \$1,000 for each student that earns an industry-recognized certification **in an industry facing workforce shortages.**

- Each year, labor market projections will be used to help determine the industries facing workforce shortages.
- Department of Workforce Development (DWD), Department of Public Instruction (DPI), and the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) will establish a list of applicable industries.
- Only certifications that serve those industries will be included on the approved certification list for a given year.

2016 Application

- For 2016 GRADUATES only
- Earned certificate while in school
- Only MINOR changes from last year's Approved List of Certifications
- **4 Categories**
 - YA
 - State Certified Skills Co-op
 - Business & Industry
 - State Approved Technical College credentials

Application Categories

- **YA**
 - Listed by Pathway on YA Checklist. E.g., Health Science – Nursing Assistant, Medical Assistant, and Pharmacy Tech **ARE** Health Science-Therapeutic Services
- **State Certified Skills Standards Co-op**
 - Asst. Child Care Teacher & Infant/Toddler are NOT DPI Co-ops- see B&I
 - Child Services Co-op is here
- **Business & Industry**
 - Passing the CNA class test does not count unless it is a state-approved tech college certificate
- **State Approved Technical College Credentials**
 - State Approved Career Pathways Certificates (CPCs) **OR** Embedded Technical Diplomas (ETDs) **OR** actual Technical Diplomas
 - ***NOT just a Dual Credit class***
 - HAVE a PROGRAM NUMBER beginning with 61-, 10-, 30-, or 31-

Application Completion

- [Excel Application Form Online](#)
 - **READ Directions TAB AND [FAQs!](#)**
- District Info
- Digital Signature- SEE Directions TAB; Pdf ok WITH Excel form too
- FN, LN- make sure spelling is exactly as in your SIS
 - Enter student again on a new line IF earned more than one certificate
- WSN- from your SIS!!- **Most errors here**
- Certification Category- 4 to choose from
- Certification Entity- WHO is the certification offered through
- Specific Certification- Choose from available ones approved
- Last Column- CNA Number, CDL Number, Tech College Program Number; Specific Cert if “ANY” is accepted

Application Submission

- Application submission will follow the same process used last year.
- Submit Application & Copies through Accellion
- SEE Directions TAB
- Email or Call Denise Byrd for Accellion password
 - Denise.Byrd@dpi.wi.gov or 608-267-2274
- Fund claim applications **due on September 30, 2016**

Adding New Certificates to the List

- To get new certifications on the approved list, school districts must submit applications for those certifications to DWD.
- Standards and new application form will be released **August 1**.
- Applications will be due **September 31**.
- Announcement of list for 2017 and 2018 by **October 31**.

Standards for New Certificates

- Certificates must meet a certain level of rigor
 - At least nine weeks of classroom equivalency
- Show support in labor market
 - Job posting indicating that certification is required or encouraged for applicants
 - Labor market info showing occupation in demand
- Sponsorship by a national trade association is preferred; should not be a purely local certificate
- All standards subject to change up until August 1st

Contact Information

- DPI Funding Application Information
 - Robin.Kroyer-Kubicek@dpi.wi.gov
 - (608) 266-2022
- DPI Claim Applications
 - Denise.Byrd@dpi.wi.gov
 - (608) 267-2274
- DWD New Certification Application Information
 - JamieT.Bernthal@dwd.wisconsin.gov
 - (608) 267-7210