

STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES
Improving Career and Technical Education with Perkins Carry Over Funds
FY 2025-26

Request: The State Board of Community Colleges is requested to approve \$1,254,808 in the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V) carry over funds from the 2024-25 academic year to the 2025-26 academic year to be allocated to 57 community colleges to enhance their Career and Technical Education Programs. Colleges shall use these funds consistent with Perkins V required activities, with emphasis on professional development, building career pathways, integration of academics into technical programs of study, and serving special populations as informed by each local college's Comprehensive Local Needs Assessment.

Strategic Plan Reference: Goal 1: Faculty and Staff Recruitment and Retention Recruit and retain top talent to enable the North Carolina Community College System to educate and prepare the state's workforce. Strategy: 1.3.1

Background: CTE funds are provided through the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2018, as amended by the Perkins V with the purpose of making the United States more competitive in the world economy by developing more fully the academic knowledge and technical and employability skills of students who enroll in career and technical education programs. This act places emphasis on:

- Promoting programs of studies that integrate rigorous and challenging academic and career technical instruction, and that link secondary to postsecondary education for students who participate in career and technical education programs.
- Providing professional development for community college faculty who teach in CTE programs of study.
- Creating greater accountability by requiring the measurement of student achievement against established core indicators of performance at both state and local levels.
- Increasing the employment opportunities for ten special populations, including students who are unemployed or underemployed, individuals with disabilities, individuals from economically disadvantaged families, who are in or who have aged out of the foster care system, are homeless individuals or are pursuing non-traditional fields of study.

Each college completed an application for the 2024-27 program years summarizing their comprehensive local needs assessment (CLNA); providing information on CTE programs of study; indicating how career development activities and work with WIOA (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act) services will take place; summarizing improvements planned for academic and technical skills of CTE students; serving special populations, infusing work-based learning into CTE programs; partnering with high schools to provide CTE students with postsecondary credit in career pathways; supporting CTE faculty; and planning continuous program improvement.

On September 19, 2025, the State Board of Community Colleges approved \$13,896,803 in categorical funding as Perkins Basic Grant to our 57 community colleges as cited on page 36 of the North Carolina Community College FY 2025-26 State Aid Allocations and Budget Policies document.

Rationale: This request is to reallocate unexpended amounts previously allocated to eligible colleges in FY 2024-25 that were returned at the end of the fiscal year. This process is cited in Section 133 (b) and redistributed as cited in Section 133(b)2 of Perkins V.

Method of Allocation: These funds are an addition to the basic grant funds released in September 2025 and are allocated based on each college's pro-rata share of Pell Grant recipients pursuing a curriculum

certificate, diploma or degree in Career and Technical curriculum programs in relation to the total number of Pell Grant recipients electing to enroll in CTE programs.

Fund Source and Availability: Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006, as amended by the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V) basic grant carry over funds are available in the amount of \$1,254,808

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION CARRY OVER ALLOTMENTS

Community College	Percent of BIA Pell	Total Carry Over Allocation
Alamance CC	1.97%	\$24,738
Asheville-Buncombe TCC	2.18%	\$27,342
Beaufort County CC	0.89%	\$11,224
Bladen CC	0.69%	\$8,665
Blue Ridge CC	1.12%	\$14,097
Brunswick CC	0.81%	\$10,102
Caldwell CC and TI	1.69%	\$21,191
Cape Fear CC	3.31%	\$41,529
Carteret CC	1.01%	\$12,616
Catawba Valley CC	1.66%	\$20,877
Central Carolina CC	2.46%	\$30,889
Central Piedmont CC	4.69%	\$58,904
Cleveland CC	1.67%	\$21,011
Coastal Carolina CC	1.37%	\$17,195
College of The Albemarle	0.62%	\$7,722
Craven CC	1.37%	\$17,150
Davidson-Davie CC	2.26%	\$28,374
Durham TCC	1.44%	\$18,093
Edgecombe CC	1.34%	\$16,836
Fayetteville TCC	7.32%	\$91,858
Forsyth TCC	4.98%	\$62,451
Gaston College	1.92%	\$24,109
Guilford TCC	5.34%	\$67,030
Halifax CC	0.55%	\$6,869
Haywood CC	0.69%	\$8,620
Isothermal CC	1.61%	\$20,158
James Sprunt CC	0.93%	\$11,673
Johnston CC	1.57%	\$19,754
Lenoir CC	1.40%	\$17,510
Martin CC	0.41%	\$5,118
Mayland CC	0.37%	\$4,669
McDowell TCC	0.82%	\$10,236
Mitchell CC	0.84%	\$10,596

Community College	Percent of BIA Pell	Total Carry Over Allocation
Montgomery CC	0.50%	\$6,330
Nash CC	1.26%	\$15,804
*Pamlico CC	0.00%	-----
Piedmont CC	0.60%	\$7,587
Pitt CC	4.27%	\$53,606
Randolph CC	1.52%	\$19,036
Richmond CC	0.95%	\$11,942
Roanoke-Chowan CC	0.43%	\$5,388
Robeson CC	1.67%	\$21,011
Rockingham CC	0.79%	\$9,967
Rowan-Cabarrus CC	2.53%	\$31,697
Sampson CC	1.26%	\$15,759
Sandhills CC	1.49%	\$18,677
South Piedmont CC	0.79%	\$9,922
Southeastern CC	0.94%	\$11,853
Southwestern CC	1.20%	\$14,995
Stanly CC	1.54%	\$19,305
Surry CC	1.52%	\$19,081
Tri-County CC	0.58%	\$7,228
Vance-Granville CC	1.43%	\$17,914
Wake TCC	7.86%	\$98,682
Wayne CC	2.01%	\$25,277
Western Piedmont CC	1.31%	\$16,477
Wilkes CC	1.42%	\$17,869
Wilson CC	0.81%	\$10,191

* Pamlico Community College enrollment of Pell students in CTE program of Study was below the funding minimum level.

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