



State Career and Technical Education Grant

Nebraska's State Career and Technical Education (CTE) funds were appropriated with the passage of Legislative Bill 814, effective July 1, 2023. The funds will be distributed between secondary and postsecondary schools according to the formula used to distribute federal Perkins funds (as of the 22-23 school year), except each school district will receive at least \$7,500.

Authority: Nebraska 2023-2025 Biennium Budget:
<https://nebraskalegislature.gov/FloorDocs/108/PDF/Final/LB1412.pdf>
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Fiscal Year: July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

Eligibility: Eligible recipients include each Nebraska school district. Additionally, each postsecondary institution that received funds through the formula used to distribute federal Perkins funding for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

Fiscal Agent: Each eligible recipient will serve as the fiscal agent for their State CTE Grant.

Uses of Funds: The State CTE Grant is intended to improve and expand high-quality CTE learning opportunities for all students. State CTE activities must align with the recipient's reVISION outcomes and Local Perkins application (either as an individual district/college or part of a consortium).

Such expenditures may represent any allowable use of Perkins funds, in addition to the following:

- Basic Tools
- Career and Technical Student Organizations (including expenses for advisors/sponsors such as conference registration and travel, and expenses for students, including uniforms)
- Student CTE industry recognized certification exams
- Consumable supplies and equipment for approved CTE programs

- Direct assistance to students to participate in CTE programming (e.g., transportation costs)
- Marketing/promotional expenses for CTE programs
- Membership/dues, subscriptions, and professional activities

Obligating Funds: State CTE funds must be utilized between July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025.

Application and Budget Recipients will submit an application and budget through the NDE’s Grants Management System (GMS). The budget with anticipated costs for which the State CTE funds will be used should support the activities and strategies proposed throughout the reVISION comprehensive local needs assessment process. The budget template which should be completed and uploaded into GMS can be found [here](#). All expenditures must be pre-approved. Budget amendments will be accepted following NDE grant processes. All expenditures requested within a budget amendment must be pre-approved prior to financial obligation.

Reimbursements The State CTE Grant will operate on a reimbursement-basis only. Reimbursement requests can be made through the NDE’s Grants Management System. All reimbursement requests must be accompanied by supporting detailed documentation (e.g., accounting system printouts). If grant activities and obligations are completed prior to the end of the fiscal year, grant recipients should submit their final reimbursement claim at that time.

Carryover Funds: Unused State CTE Grant funds may not be carried forward into another fiscal year.

Reporting: Recipients of the State CTE Grant will annually evaluate progress toward expanding and enhancing CTE programs. The outcomes of this evaluation will be summarized within the GMS each year.

Timeline: For the 2024-2025 fiscal year:

**Subject to Change*

- May 2024: Grant Application/Budget OPENS in GMS
- June 2024: Grant Application/Budget CLOSES in GMS
- July 1, 2024: Funds available (once GAN awarded)
- June 30, 2025: End of Fiscal Year, deadline for use of funds
- August 15, 2025: Grant Closeout/Final Reimbursement requests due

Additional Information: For additional information, please contact Dr. Katie Graham (katie.graham@nebraska.gov) in the Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education.