

CHRONOLOGY OF THE AGENDA ITEM

Board Agenda Item Title: FY2026 Carl Perkins V Improvement Grant for Career Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE) in the amount of \$1,267,752

Background/Details

Carl Perkins V federal funds are for implementing new or improving existing Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education (CTAE) initiatives. Approval of the Perkins Grant application is vital for the DeKalb County School District to provide high-quality CTAE programs throughout the district. The grant funds assist in developing strategies that will improve student academic achievement and career readiness. These strategies also impact each school's College and Career Readiness Performance Index (CCRPI) scores.

Grant Activities

1. Strengthen academic and technical skills of students in career pathways
2. Provide Work-Based Learning (WBL) opportunities for students
3. Make available student industry credentials and certifications as well as employer connections
4. Provide professional development for teachers, counselors, and administrators
5. Initiate, improve, and expand CTAE programs and pathways
6. Provide career pathway services and activities
7. Coordinate postsecondary transition
8. Serve special populations with career pathway instruction
9. Evaluate CTAE programs and pathways using the following core indicators

Financial Impact:

The grant allocation for 2025-2026 is \$1,267,752. The Perkins V Grant requires matching funds from the local district.

School Year	Allocation Amounts
2022-2023 (FY23)	\$1,437,254
2023-2024 (FY24)	\$1,390,462
2024-2025 (FY25)	\$1,362,329
2025-2026 (FY26)	\$1,267,752 (awarded)