

## Administrative Memo

**Date:** December 11, 2018  
**To:** School Administrators, Career and Technical Education (CTE) Directors/Administrators, High School Principals, School Counselors, and Community College/University CTE Deans/Directors  
**From:** Blaine Henningsen, assistant commissioner, Office of College and Career Readiness  
**Subject:** CCR-18-016 – Update on Perkins V

On July 31, 2018, President Trump signed the *Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act*. The new Act will be referred to as Perkins V. Although Perkins V goes into effect on July 1, 2019, there will be few changes during Year 1 impacting local Perkins grant recipients.

Missouri has chosen to prepare and submit a one-year transition plan that is due to the United States Department of Education on April 30, 2019. The one-year transition plan will address only a few selected items regarding programs of study, special populations and fiscal responsibility. As a state, we are not required to hold public hearings on the one-year transition plan. However, once the transition plan is submitted, it will be posted to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) website.

In order to begin development of the four-year Perkins state plan that is due in April 2020, a number of items are currently being discussed by staff and will be further developed with stakeholder input prior to being submitted in the four-year state plan. These items include

- programs of study,
- sufficient size, scope and quality,
- secondary/postsecondary split of funds,
- secondary concentrator definition,
- secondary quality indicator selection, and
- local needs assessment/local application.

As more information becomes available, we will share it through administrative memos. In addition, we will have a location on the DESE website where all things related to Perkins V will be posted:

<https://dese.mo.gov/college-career-readiness/career-education/perkins-act/perkins-v>.

If you have preliminary questions about Perkins V, please contact Dennis Harden, coordinator of Career Education, at 573-751-3500 or [dennis.harden@dese.mo.gov](mailto:dennis.harden@dese.mo.gov).

Thank you.