POLICY OF NONDISCRIMINATION

It is the policy of the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, or disability in its programs or employment practices as required by Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

Inquiries related to Department employment practices may be directed to the Jefferson State Office Building, Human Resources Director, 8th floor, 205 Jefferson Street, P.O. Box 480, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0480; telephone number (573) 751-9619 or TTY (800) 735-2966.

Inquiries related to Department programs and to the location of services, activities, and facilities that are accessible by persons with disabilities may be directed to the Jefferson State Office Building, Office of the General Counsel, Coordinator–Civil Rights Compliance (Title VI/Title IX/504/ADA/Age Act), 6th Floor, 205 Jefferson Street, P.O. Box 480, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0480; telephone number (573) 526-4757 or TTY (800) 735-2966, civilrights@dese.mo.gov.
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Enhancement Grant FY19 Checklist

☐ LEA has uploaded the **FY19** EGFV4 into the DESE Web Applications System by 11:59 PM, February 28, 2018. LEAs must use the appropriate EG-FV4 Excel spreadsheet.

☐ LEA has included or uploaded all supporting information required

☐ Details on any facility renovations
☐ DESE program approval letter for any new programs, including PLTW or similar programs, approved after July 1, 2017 for which funds are requested
☐ Details for cloud or similar computing systems
☐ Details and cost sharing ratios for any items to be used by other than students or staff not affiliated with the high-demand occupation for which funds are requested
☐ Data substantiating any requests for funds for occupations not on the annual statewide or regional listings of high demand occupations (see page 15 of Administrative Manual).
☐ Other information

☐ LEA has submitted the project summary from their previous Enhancement Grant. [Note: LEAs will have access to $1 in grant funds until the report is submitted. Access to the actual, approved grant allocation will be available to the LEA once the report is received]

☐ LEA has updated grant contact person information if changes have occurred after FY19 grant submission

☐ LEA has entered the grant into the ePeGS payment system by September 30, 2018. [Note: This indicates the LEA wishes to accept the grant funds; not entering the grant into ePeGS by the deadline implies the LEA does not wish to utilize the grant funds and funds can be released to other schools]

☐ LEA has reviewed and made all final revisions to the grant by December 31, 2018

☐ LEA has reviewed grant and requested funds as appropriate between July, 2018 and March 31, 2019

☐ LEA has submitted a Final Expenditure Report (FER) by March 31, 2019

☐ LEA has submitted the FY19 project report by May 15, 2019
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES:
Missouri public high schools, area career centers and community colleges currently operating Department-approved occupational preparatory (long-term) career education programs offering courses eligible for grant funding. School Districts with an area career center must submit one grant that includes requests for that center as well as all district high schools.

GOAL:
To expand and enhance the quality of Missouri's occupational preparatory (long-term) career education programs through improved alignment with business and industry occupational training needs, and increased emphasis on training in high-demand occupations that have been determined to be in critical shortage.

RATIONALE:
The Outstanding Schools Act of 1993 established provisions for the implementation of a grant award program to enhance career education in public high schools, area career schools, and community colleges. The funds made available through the program focus on the initiation of new and the improvement of existing occupational preparatory (long-term) career education training programs, curriculum enhancement, instructional equipment and facility improvement, particularly in high demand occupations.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:
Requests for Vocational-Technical Education Enhancement Grant funding shall minimally consist of the following components:
A. A properly submitted budget for each occupational career education program by CIP code for which grant funds are being requested.

B. The budget shall be developed which details all major expenditure categories and itemizes all equipment purchases. Equipment purchases with grant funds shall
   a. have prior approval of the Office of College and Career Readiness and
   b. be appropriate to the instructional content of the career education course or program.

C. Grant funds may also be requested for new occupational preparatory (long-term) career education programs. Any budget requests for a new program must include documentation of Department approval of the new program. Documentation indicating program approval after July 1, 2017 must be uploaded into the DESE web applications system along with the grant application.

D. The budget must be developed using the current FY19 EG-FV4 spreadsheet found on the DESE website to be eligible for funding. This spreadsheet, along with supporting documentation when required, must be submitted as a state compliance plan into the DESE Web Applications system. Required documentation includes specific details for any type of facilities renovation; requests for cloud or similar computing systems; cost-sharing data for items to be used by non-CTE students or staff; requests for consideration of funds to be used for programs not on the high-demand list based on local or regional data; requests for funds for new programs requires DESE program approval and the approval documentation must be uploaded.
E. A plan, developed by an advisory committee with no fewer than twelve (12) members that is composed of at least two (2) members representing each of the following groups: business persons, labor leaders, parents, senior citizens, community leaders and teachers. The committee shall assist the grant recipient with the development of a plan which will ensure that graduates proceed to a two (2)- or four (4)-year college/university or a high wage job with workplace skill development opportunities. This plan shall be developed prior to the close of the fiscal year that the grant recipient receives an initial grant under this grant award program.

F. Eligible institutions that apply for grant funds after receiving an initial grant award shall submit a description of the accomplishments made toward the implementation of their initial plan and any modifications to their initial plan. It is not required that the school district or LEA submit this plan; it is required that the plan is available for review when requested.

ASSURANCES
The applicant must assure that:
A. Fiscal and property management control, and fund accounting procedures are in place and operational.

B. Funds from local sources will be allocated and expended for instructional equipment for occupational career education programs as described in the grant proposal in an amount equal to or greater than twenty-five percent (25%) of the grant expenditure for this purpose.

C. Funds from local sources will be allocated and expended for allowable purposes other than instructional equipment as delineated in the grant proposal in an amount equal to or greater than fifty percent (50%) of the grant expenditure for these purposes.

D. Expenditure of grant funding shall align with the budget approved by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, or subsequent state-approved budget revisions.

E. An advisory committee meeting the requirements of 5 CSR 20-200 (2)(B) has been established and the names and affiliation of each member is available for review at the local level.

F. The grant recipient will comply with all reporting requirements of the Department relating to this grant award program.

G. Secondary student performance standards have been or will be established within the district that lead to or qualify students for graduation, and these standards will be revised to meet or exceed the Missouri Learning Standards adopted by the State Board of Education.

H. Prior to the close of the fiscal year of the grant award, a plan will be developed, with the assistance of the prescribed advisory committee, to ensure that graduates proceed to a college or a high wage job with workplace skill development opportunities (applies only to local education agencies and/or institutions of postsecondary education that have not previously received grant funds).

I. Prior to the close of the fiscal year of the grant award, a report will be forwarded to the Department describing the accomplishments made toward the implementation of the plan to ensure that graduates proceed to a college or a high wage job with workplace skill development opportunities and any modifications to the initial plan (applies only to local education agencies that have previously received grant funds).

J. Funds for facility improvement must be detailed in the request for grant funding and approved by appropriate personnel at the Department. Any facility improvement or renovation expenditure charged to grant funds, in total or in part must be directly tied to improved instruction and learning, and must comply with grant guidelines for allowed and disallowed costs, as detailed on page eight (8) of this
guide, and all federal, state, and local building codes, and with the accessibility requirements specified by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

K. All equipment and non-consumable supply purchases must be physically located in the instructional area approved in the grant application unless explicit approval is obtained from appropriate Department personnel, or disposed of under Department regulations regarding equipment disposition.

L. Records for this grant should be kept for a period of three years and provide such information as may be necessary for the fiscal program auditing and for program evaluation; and the grantee shall provide the Department, or its designee any information it may need to carry out monitoring, auditing, or evaluative responsibilities under the programs.

M. All expenditure of funds awarded through this grant shall be in accordance with fiscal allowances and limitations identified within this document.

N. Electronic, online submission of an application for Vocational-Technical Education Enhancement Grant funding shall be considered as bearing the electronic signature of chief administrator of the school or community college district, and such action indicates full acceptance of all assurances by the applicant.

O. All grant funds must be incurred and expended, not merely encumbered, prior to March 31, 2019, and all requests for reimbursement of expenditures with grant funding shall be submitted by the grantee no later than that same date.

P. All grant awardees must submit a Final Expenditure Report (FER) not later than March 31, 2019. Failure to do so may cause that grant recipient to be ineligible for a grant award the following year.

FUNDING AND EXPENDITURE LEVELS:
There is no maximum amount for a grant award. Local education agencies must match the requested grant funds for instructional equipment/capital outlay expenditures on at least a 25% local/75% state basis and for other expenditures on at least a 50% local/50% state basis.

Grants will be limited by the funds appropriated annually by the Missouri General Assembly, by annual funding priorities, and by amount of demand for funding. Therefore, the Department reserves the right to reduce the amount requested due to the availability of funds.

Beginning with awards made for fiscal year 2016, grantees are expected to expend an average of no less than 80% of awarded funds over the two most recent Vocational-Technical Education Enhancement Grant awards. Failure to expend 80% of two consecutive Vocational-Technical Education Enhancement Grant awards may result in a penalty administered to the grantee's next funding request. Such a penalty may result in a reduction in the subsequent funding award determined by formula, and imposed in addition to any overall funding reduction imposed on all grantees due to a lack of available funds.

The penalty formula for reduced funding may result in a preliminary award level which is the lesser of:
A. 80% of the grantee's average expenditure level for the two most recent Vocational-Technical Education Enhancement Grant awards; or
B. 80% of the allowable costs from the grantee's application.

Since grant award reductions can necessitate the prioritization of planned purchases, any grantee receiving less than 90% of anticipated levels will have 30 calendar days to submit a revised budget with a new total funding level for which they propose being responsible for expending no less than 80%. Such a resubmitted
budget shall be subject to negotiation with, and approval by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

PROPOSAL FORMAT:
In summary, applications will consist of a two-step electronic submission. Financial information will be submitted using the Excel-based EGFV4, available online at https://dese.mo.gov/college-career-readiness/career-education/program-management-account-finance/grants. The narrative information will be submitted through the compliance plan component of the Department's secured web application system, available online at https://apps.dese.mo.gov/webLogin/login.aspx.

As noted above, the Excel-based EGFV4 will be the format used for applicant submission of the grant’s budget. The EGFV4 will continue to be used for state review of the budget, along with any changes as deemed necessary by either the Department or the applicant college or LEA before the final grant award is determined. The EGFV4 shall be uploaded as an attachment to the compliance plan web application narrative responses and formatted as follows: County-District Code, EGFV4, two-digit year (Example: 115115 EGFV4 19).

Only one grant award is available per eligible applicant, and is to include all programs for which funding is sought included in the same EGFV4-based budget. Eligible applicants consist of Missouri public school districts and Missouri community colleges.

Once the final grant award is established, the grantee will enter the approved budget detail into the ePeGS web application for use throughout the grant cycle. Grantees will be provided with an "Approved EGFV4" that includes worksheets which display the grant budget in a format consistent with the ePeGS "Capital Outlays" screen and for that system's "Budget Grid" screen. Grants must be entered into the ePeGS system not later than midnight, September 30, 2019.

DUE DATES:
The EG-FV4 application spreadsheet/budget and all required documentation must be submitted through the Department’s online Compliance Plan web application no later than February 28, 2018. Grant applications will not be accepted after that date.

GRANT AWARD
July 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019. [Note: The fiscal year for the Enhancement Grant is July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019; however the FER is due by March 31, 2019.]

DELIVERABLES:
Approved grant recipients must submit all requests for reimbursement of expenditures to the Department through the online ePeGS payment system on or before March 31, 2019.

Approved grant recipients must submit a Final Expenditure Report as instructed in Appendix VII, Part D of this document between March 1 and March 31, 2019.

A grant-year progress report describing gains made in the roll out of each funded program's plan to improve instruction, student achievement and career preparedness must be submitted to the Department on or before May 15, 2019. The report must include an accounting of those measurable objectives which were met, along with those either not met during the grant period or determined as no longer applicable to the improvement plan. The report should provide a description as to the extent grant funding contributes to program improvement and/or continued viability. Grant-year progress reports should be submitted to enhancement@dese.mo.gov. Place “FY19 Progress Report” in the subject line.
Guidance on Financial Allowances and Limitations

Grant funds must be appropriate to the instructional content of the occupational preparatory (long-term) career education program(s) operated or proposed to be operated by the applying institution. The final determination of said appropriateness shall be determined by the Department's designated director(s) for the state-approved career-technical education program(s) for which funding is requested.

Grant funds shall only be expended during the fiscal year awarded. Grant funds must be matched with local education agency funds in an amount equal to or greater than twenty-five percent (25%) for instructional equipment expenditures and fifty percent (50%) for all other expenditures.

Funds paid for unauthorized or disallowed reimbursement will be subject to repayment to the State of Missouri, with the potential addition of interest.

ALLOWED COSTS

A. Instructional Equipment (reimbursement not to exceed 75% of purchase price) which may be replaced no more frequently than after being in use for three years, and must meet both of the following definitions:
   a. Be directly related to the occupational career education instructional program;
   b. Be tangible, nonexpendable property having a useful life of more than one year and an acquisition cost of $1,000 or more per unit.
   c. Shipping costs for items with a unit cost of over $1000 is allowed. Shipping shall not be used to calculate the unit cost of an item; it is in excess of the unit cost.

B. Non-Consumable Instructional Supplies (reimbursement not to exceed 50% of purchase price) which may be replaced no more frequently than after being in use for three years, and must meet both of the following definitions:
   a. Be directly related to the occupational career education instructional program;
   b. Be tangible and nonexpendable having a useful life of more than one year and an acquisition cost of $200 to $999.99 per unit.

C. Other Allowable Costs (reimbursement not to exceed 50% of purchase price) include
   a. Computer software, including annual site license fees (no minimum unit cost). Such purchases must comply with the limitations placed on 1:1 or near 1:1 equipment and/or non-consumable supplies purchases.
   b. Wired and wireless network or internet connections (no minimum unit cost). LEA must be able to provide assurance that such connections will be used primarily for students in high-demand courses or programs request has been connected to. Cloud systems are allowable under the following conditions:
      c. The system is used exclusively for the high-demand occupation under which the request was made
      d. The system is used primarily by CTE students enrolled in the high-demand occupations
      e. LEAs may prorate such systems based on a ratio of the attendance of CTE students enrolled in the high demand occupation for which the request has been made and attendance of non-CTE students enrolled and accessing the system. The LEA must submit a detailed explanation for such expenditure along with the grant application.

D. Installation costs (no minimum unit cost)

E. Service contracts/maintenance agreements for program specific software (no minimum unit cost). Such contracts shall not exceed the fiscal year of the grant of July 1, 2018–June 30, 2019.

F. Instructor training (no minimum unit cost) and not more that 25% of the requested grant funding

G. Storage cabinets for program specific equipment ($200 minimum unit cost)

H. Curriculum enhancement consisting of purchased curriculum materials, videos, DVDs, reference sets, etc. ($200 minimum unit cost).
I. Certain facility modifications necessary for enhanced instructional delivery ($200 minimum unit cost). The LEA must submit a detailed explanation for such expenditure along with the grant application.

J. Shipping is allowable on items with a minimum unit cost of $200. Shipping costs shall not be used to calculate the unit cost of an item; it is in excess of the unit cost.

LIMITATIONS ON ALLOWABLE COSTS

A. Provision of equipment and/or non-consumable supplies for student use on an actual or near 1:1 basis is eligible for reimbursement from grant funding with the following limitations:

1. For occupational preparatory career education programs that have been state-approved and in place for three or more years, such purchases may be subject for grant approval based on one of two scenarios related to the grantee's number of CTE concentrators in the appropriate career cluster:
   a. In instances where the three-year average number of CTE concentrators for the course offering for which funding is sought is at or below the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's maximum recommended standard for students per teacher (33 students), eligible reimbursement for the class shall be limited to a number of units not to exceed the three-year concentrator average; or
   b. In instances where a grantee's overall three-year average for any of the 16 CTE career cluster concentrations is above the Department's maximum recommended standard for students per teacher, expenditure of grant funding shall be available for 1:1 student to equipment or non-consumable supply or material for any cluster-aligned course. Per eligible course, the total number of allowable units shall be the lesser of the peak number of students enrolled at a given time or the Department's maximum recommended enrollment for a class, 33.
   (Note: When determining the level of line item funding to approve for a grantee for equipment and/or non-consumable supplies to be provided for student use at or near a 1:1 basis, the Department will use a projected level of concentrators based upon actual numbers from 2014-2016, and which may factor increasing or declining trends. However, the grantee will be responsible for using the data from 2015-2017 to determining the actual three-year average of concentrators.

2. Exceptions to these limitations will require written authorization from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and will be subject to close scrutiny prior to such approval. The burden of supporting evidence to demonstrate that the above formulaic options present undue challenges for any portion of an application shall rest entirely on the grantee.

3. Applications submitted for eligible courses in programs that have been state-approved and in place for less than three years or new for the upcoming school year will be subject to negotiated numbers of units for which eligible reimbursement will be authorized.

B. The limit on instructor training (as a stand-alone expenditure, or in combination with eligible physical improvements or renovation to existing facilities) shall be twenty-five percent (25%) of requested grant funding, and shall be restricted to professional development linked to certification in a specific career occupational field. For example, a school requesting $7,500 in equipment could request a maximum of $2,500 for instructor certification, for a total grant request of $10,000.

1. A detailed summary of how instructor training funded with this grant must be included in the required end-of-year description of accomplishments made toward the implementation of the LEA’s initial plan.

2. Reimbursable expenses for instructor training shall be limited to registration and directly-related training costs. Travel, lodging and per diem costs associated with the training are not eligible for enhancement grant reimbursement.

3. Actual reimbursed costs for instructor training shall be the lesser of the budgeted amount for this allowable expenditure or twenty-five percent (25%) of total funds actually expended.

C. Physical improvement(s) of existing facilities must have a direct relationship to, and effect on, instruction in grant-eligible courses in specific occupational career education programs as identified in
the affected program improvement plan(s). **The LEA must submit a detailed explanation for such expenditure along with supporting documentation such as bids, schematics, or other information with the grant application.**

1. General modifications to the overall facility, administrative or general student service areas are not allowable.
2. Approvable expenditures are limited to materials or related items that are commonly used to make physical improvements to an existing facility.
3. Grant proposals must include a complete description of the facility improvements that are anticipated and how these changes will enable or enhance instruction and better allow achievement of objectives as identified in the program improvement plan.
4. Grant funds expended for facility improvements are restricted to a maximum of twenty-five percent (25%; as a stand-alone expenditure, or in combination with eligible instructor training) of the grant award. All facility improvements must be completed in accordance with local, state and federal building codes and meet accessibility requirements specified by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

**DISALLOWED COSTS**

A. Items under a $200 unit cost unless specifically exempted
B. Consumable supplies or materials having a useful life no more than one year
C. Student textbooks, workbooks, and guides; student testing costs
D. Monthly/annual usage charges (unless specifically allowed above, or approved by appropriate Department personnel)
E. Monthly/annual membership charges
F. New construction (i.e. building additions, annexes, storage sheds, concrete/foundations, flatwork, etc.)
G. Security fencing, security lighting and parking areas
H. Curriculum development
I. Consultant services/stipends
J. Photocopying costs
K. Installation or labor costs to modify facilities
L. Furniture, including computer work stations.
M. Travel, lodging and per diem costs associated with instructor training
N. Travel, lodging and per diem costs associated with conferences, workshops, etc.
O. Expenditures exceeding specific limitations to allowed costs as noted above.
P. Multi-year service contracts
Q. Cloud computing systems that are not used exclusively by CTE students in high-demand occupations as defined for the current fiscal year.
APPENDIX I
IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS

1. Districts will submit requests for enhancement grant funds through the following process:
   A. Grant budgets will be submitted electronically through use of the FY19 Excel-based EGFV4 with
      actual grant financial administration occurring through ePeGS as an uploaded file. Supporting
      documentation must also be uploaded along with the EGFV4. This may include
      a. Complete details on any renovation projects
      b. Documentation of DESE approval for programs approved after July 1, 2017. [Note: Project
         Lead the Way (PLTW) and other such programs must be approved by DESE and may also
         require vendor approval]
      c. Complete detailed information on any cloud of similar computing systems as well as
         documentation on any pro-rated costs of such a system.
      d. Data to support alternate consideration of occupations not on the annual statewide high-
         demand list
      e. Other information may be requested by DESE to further clarify an expenditure request.

2. Once the Department has reviewed all qualifying applications and the resulting cumulative budgetary
   sum of all preliminary grant awards, a determination will be made whether reductions will be required
   due to a lack of available funds. If reductions cause awards to be less than 90% of requested funding
   levels, applicants will have thirty (30) calendar days to submit a revised budget for Department
   consideration.

3. Once the grant award notification has been made, the grantee will be allowed to expend funds on and
   after July 1, 2018.
   A. Expenditures will be restricted to those budgetary line items approved by the Department
   B. Budgets must be entered into the ePeGS system not later than midnight, September 30, 2018. Not
      entering budgets into ePeGS implies the LEA is not interested in accepting the grant award and
      wishes to release the funds to other schools.
   C. Between July 1 – December 31, 2018 each grantee is allowed to submit up to five requests for
      budgetary revisions. Revision Requests exceeding the limit of five requests or occurring outside these
      dates will not be considered for approval.

4. The district will submit reimbursement requests using ePeGS. Requests can be made monthly or
   quarterly, or at the end of a trimester, or semester, but must be submitted no later than March 31, 2019.
   [Note: ePeGS is a reimbursement system and will not calculate the actual reimbursement the LEA is
   entitled to. The LEA must do this calculation locally based on actual unit costs of items purchased with
   these grant funds.]
APPENDIX II
MONITORING: DESK AUDIT TIMELINE

Invoices *do not* need to be submitted with ePeGS-based requests for reimbursement. However, invoices will need to be kept for a period of three years for fiscal program auditing and for program evaluation. Desk audits will be implemented on a percentage of districts within the defined Cohort Groups as listed in the Department's Tiered Monitoring Process. Each of the districts has been assigned to one of three cohort groups. Districts receiving desk audits will be notified and given specific reporting instructions in April of the grant award year. Districts will be required to submit invoices and other documents as requested for items reimbursed within the three-year time period.

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APPENDIX III
High Demand Occupations

The Vocational-Technical Education Enhancement Grant Award Program provides funding to improve existing and establish new occupational career education programs. Funded courses within those state-approved programs must be designated by the Department as being aligned with, and minimally provide instruction that directly prepares individuals for entry level employment in what has been determined to be a high-demand occupation.

In developing the list of courses eligible for Vocational-Technical Education Enhancement Grant funding, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education uses a list of qualifying high-demand occupations as determined by the Director of the Department of Economic Development's Division of Workforce Development. That list focuses on those occupations developed through a process which is predominately weighted by statewide projections by the Missouri Economic Research and Information Center (MERIC) of newly created jobs for the selected occupational title during the ten-year span of 2014-2024.

Occupational qualification of high demand on a regional basis will be determined through the use of the long-term projection data (2014-2024) from MERIC for the second of the above option, available online in spreadsheet format at https://www.missourieconomy.org/occupations/occ_proj.stm but on a regional labor market area basis. Any applying school may use this approach in an attempt to qualify a course for funding, but acceptance of such a request will be dependent upon Department review and approval.

Only occupations receiving a MERIC grade of "A" or "B" will be considered for eligibility approval, but regardless of grade, any occupation listed as requiring less than high school diploma AND only short-term on-the-job training will not be eligible.

Additionally, any occupation for which a LEA or postsecondary institution seeks to qualify as being of high demand must meet a minimum threshold of the number of newly created jobs, as projected by MERIC for 2014-2024. For schools located in either the St. Louis or Kansas City metropolitan area, that minimum threshold will be 50 newly created jobs per year, with the balance of Missouri labor market areas having a qualifying number of annual newly created jobs no less than 30.

The level of formal educational attainment required for the occupation, as identified through MERIC data may not exceed an associate degree for regionally-based qualification as "high demand".

Finally, the grantee must also list the course title and CIP Code that will be offered and which must directly prepare individuals for at least entry level employment for the specific occupation.

ALTERNATIVE CONSIDERATION OF OCCUPATIONS NOT ON THE ANNUAL STATEWIDE OR REGIONAL LISTINGS OF HIGH DEMAND OCCUPATIONS

For consideration of occupations not determined as eligible by the Director of Workforce Development, or included on the annual MERIC listings of regionally based high-demand occupations, the LEA or institution must provide the Department with documentation relating to existing occupational career education programs that have at least ten (10) career education exiters or completers per year who were employed in a related job at a rate of 80% or higher for the previous two (2) years. Secondary education grantees are also be allowed to submit occupations for consideration as meeting the high-demand classification if positive placement of at least ten (10) career education exiters or completers per year who enrolled into related postsecondary education programs at a rate of 80% or higher for the previous two (2) years.

Consideration of such alternative classification of occupations shall be dependent upon corroborating data available to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.
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Appendix IV
Criteria to Avoid Duplication
Of Career Education Programming

The following criteria will be utilized by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, Office of College and Career Readiness, to avoid duplication of career education programming. New career education program applications will be considered duplication when the following six (6) test situations occur among career education and/or Workforce Investment Act (WIA) programs in the same local workforce investment area.

1. The Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) codes are identical.

2. The instructional objectives of the programs are identical.

3. The population for which the programs are intended is identical.

4. The sum of the number of individuals proposed to be trained and the number of individuals currently being trained exceeds the number of individuals available for training within a specific population.

5. The access to the programs is identical or in close geographic proximity.

6. The combined total number of potentially trained individuals available for related job placement exceeds the labor market demand within the geographic area.
Appendix V
Application for Authorization of
Enhancement Grant Expenditures

EGFV4 INSTRUCTIONS

Please Note: It is very important to use the file that is listed as the FY19 EGFV4. Use of an earlier version of the file may result in improper results. Applications not completed in full and not on the correct format will be considered nonresponsive and will not be funded.

Contact Name - The first and last name of the individual to contact regarding Enhancement Grant questions. This is the contact name the State will use to send correspondence.

Local Education Agency (LEA) Name - The official name of the school district or college submitting the Enhancement Grant request.

Contact Phone – The 10 digit telephone number of the individual to contact regarding the Enhancement Grant. The telephone number should correspond to the Contact Name.

County District Code - Six digit code assigned to the district or college. This code needs to correspond to the LEA name on the grant application.

Contact E-mail - The e-mail of the individual to contact for the Enhancement Grant. This is the contact name the State will use to send correspondence (EG FV4, EG FV2, etc.) and direct questions. The contact e-mail should correspond with the Contact Name and the Contact Phone.

School Code – The Department assigned school numbers. (Selected from a drop-down menu)

0000-Colleges
1050- High Schools
1100-Area Career Centers

Fiscal Year Ending – The four digit year the fiscal year ends.

Building or Campus Name - The name of the high school, career center, or campus requesting Enhancement Grant funds. District with multiple schools or institutions with multiple campus locations requesting Enhancement Grant funds will need to be identified.

Instructor Name - The name of the instructor that will utilize the requested item. The instructor name should correspond with the Room/Lab Number of the requested item(s).

Room/Lab Number - The room number of the instructor where the item(s) will be located. The Room/Lab Number should correspond to with the Instructor’s name requesting the item(s).

Applicants MUST use the drop-down menu for the following

CTE Program Code - The CTE Program Codes used for College and Career Readiness are (select from a dropdown menu)

01-Agricultural Education
CTE Type - The CTE entity requesting Enhancement Grant funds: (Select from a dropdown menu)
  04, Secondary
  07, Post-Secondary
  10, Adult

CIP Code - The CIP Codes used within the career education programs that are on the High Demand List. Only the CIP Codes that are on the High Demand List will be visible on the drop down menu. The drop down menu is generated based on the selection of CTE Program Code and CTE Type identified. Select from a dropdown menu ONLY.

Course Description - The drop down menu is generated based on the selection of CTE Program Code and CTE Type identified. Select from a dropdown menu ONLY. Writing on this line will invalidate the request.

State Code - The state code used in to identify the item and category it will be funded. Only one item can be requested per line. Select from a dropdown menu ONLY.
  Instructional Equipment (minimum cost threshold of $1,000)
  Non-Consumable Instructional Supplies (as defined on page 12 of this guide)
  Other-Software and/or Curriculum
  Other-Network or Internet/Installation/Service Contracts/Maintenance Agreement
  Other-Instructor Training
  Other-Storage Cabinets
  Other-Renovations

It is very important that you select the correct state code for the item. The reimbursement percentage will be based on the selection of the state code. The maximum reimbursement for equipment purchases from the Enhancement Grant will be at 75% of the approved cost. The maximum reimbursement for Other Costs, Curriculum and Renovations will be 50% of the approved cost. Note: All Vocational-Technical Education Enhancement Grants are subject to approval at a reimbursement rate lower than the stated maximums dependent upon availability of funds.

APPLICANTS MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:
Description of Item - This should be a short identifying statement of the item, service, activity, etc. Only one item can be requested per line. Do not group separate equipment items together. Installation of equipment will need to be itemized out and on a separate line from the equipment.

Quantity - The number of items requesting to be purchased. [Note: Approval of requests for grant funding of a volume of items intended to provide a 1:1 per student will be dependent upon the applicant's three-year average number of program concentrators in the most appropriate Career Cluster, as detailed on pages 10-12 guide. Data reported by the LEA is used to make this determination. Such information can be found on DESE’s Comprehensive Data System under secondary and post-secondary concentrators by career clusters.]

Estimated Unit Cost - The estimated cost per unit.
**Estimated Total Cost** - The total estimated cost of the items based on the quantity and unit cost. (Calculated Automatically)

**Estimated Reimbursement** - The estimated amount that will be reimbursed based on the estimated cost of the items and state code selected for that item. Please note that this is not the Approved Grant Amount. (Calculated Automatically)

**Notes** - Available to add any comments.

**Only one EGFV4 is to be submitted per LEA or postsecondary institution.** Instructions for submitting the EGFV4 as an uploaded attachment are included in Appendix VI. Schools submitting multiple EGFV4s will be required to choose one to be reviewed. **Schools will not be given the opportunity to resubmit their EGFV4s.**
Appendix VI
Instructions for Submission of Information of the FY19 EG-FV4 into the Compliance Plan System

The Compliance Plans System (CPS) through the Department Web Applications will be used to submit the Enhancement Grant Application.

The CPS has two security levels for accessing the system (Administrator and User), with additional security that is established by the Administrator within the system itself. Some district staff have been granted access to the CPS as follows:

- **Compliance Plan Administrator**: District staff with User Manager access, as well as superintendents in districts with no User Manager, have been granted access to CPS at the Administrator level. The CPS Administrator has full access (View, Data Entry and Authorized Representative) to all plans available to the district. In addition, the CPS Administrator must grant access rights to other district staff with CPS User access. Granting access to CPS Users is done through the "Maintain user security" option on the CPS home page.

- **Compliance Plans User**: District staff with access to the ePeGS Planning Tool have been granted access to CPS at the User level. CPS Users will not have access to any plans within CPS until rights have been granted by the Compliance Plans Administrator. Please note that in order for CPS Users to be available for assignment by the Administrator, they must first log in to the CPS.

  - Step 1: User logs into CPS and has no access to any plans
  - Step 2: Administrator logs into CPS, goes to "Maintain user security," selects the User and assigns plans and security levels (View, Data Entry and Authorized Representative) for the User
  - Step 3: User logs into CPS and is able to access the plans for which the Administrator has assigned rights

To access, go to the Department's web apps (https://apps.dese.mo.gov/webLogin/login.aspx) login site, and select Compliance Plans (Federal and State) from the Cross-Divisional Systems list, as shown in Figure 1 below.
Once the Compliance Plans option has been selected, the next screen will offer a series of options in a drop-down box as shown in Figure 2. Scroll down and select CTE Enhancement Grant.

The next step is to start a new planning document as shown in Figure 3 and then using the drop-down box option as shown in Figure 4, again select CTE Enhancement Grant.
Schools will not be required to submit a plan for each program area beginning with the 2018-19 Enhancement Grant application. However, schools will be required to submit a detailed description of any facilities improvements for which funds have been requested.
The name of at least one contact person must be provided before a plan may be submitted. That individual, who can be designated as the principal point of contact for the applying program in cases where multiple members of the planning team are listed. To provide this information, first click on the web link "Manage Team" as seen in Figure 5. Then click on “Add Team Member” per Figure 6; then click “Save” once the information is entered (Figure 7).
To upload the FY19-EGFV4, click on "View Uploads" shown in Figure 8. Then click on “Upload a Document” shown in Figure 9.
LEAs are to use the text box to describe all renovation projects. This includes the program area(s) where funds for renovation are requested and a justification for the need of such renovation. LEAs should also upload any documents supporting facility renovation such as bids, schematics, or other pertinent documents. Other documents that shall be uploaded include:

- Documentation of DESE approval for programs approved after July 1, 2017. [Note: Project Lead The Way (PLTW) and other such programs must be approved by DESE and may also require vendor approval]
- Complete detailed information on any cloud or similar computing systems as well as documentation on any pro-rated costs of such a system.
- Data to support alternate consideration of occupations not on the annual statewide high-demand list
- Other information to further clarify an expenditure

The final step is to upload the FY19-EGFV4. **Uploading your FY19-EGFV4 is the most critical step of this process.** The grant is not submitted, and the LEA will not be eligible for funds, unless the FY19-EGFV4 is uploaded by February 28, 2018. This document must be uploaded as an Excel spreadsheet. Other formats, such as PDF, are not acceptable and may not be reviewed.

Finally, "Save and Submit to DESE" does just as it implies. Once the option is selected, the application is officially submitted through the web application and available for Department review and consideration for approval.
Appendix VII
Fiscal Administration

Part A-Entering the Budget into ePeGS

It is the Department's intent to have complete ePeGS functionality by FY20 for enhancement grants. For FY19, the Excel-based EGFV4 (see Appendix VII) will be used by eligible LEAs and postsecondary institutions to submit budget requests as an upload to the online Compliance Plan web application as described in Appendix VIII.

Once budgets have completed the Department's approval process, fiscal information will be transmitted to grantees using the "Approved EGFV4" file as done the past few years. However, a key difference will be the inclusion of two new worksheets which will present the budget in a manner consistent with ePeGS, so that actual grant administration during the fiscal year can occur through use of an “overlay” of the system in use for federal Perkins funds.

As shown in Figure 1, the worksheet entitled "ePeGS Budget Grid" provides categorical sub-totals and totals, overall and by program for awarded grant funding.

Figure 1

Figure 2 offers an additional break out of those authorized costs which are categorized as "ePeGS Capital Outlay".

Figure 2
Both of these Excel-based worksheets were included in the Approved EGFV4 file. Grantees will be responsible for entering the information provided through these two worksheets into ePeGS.

**Important Note:** The information provided in the Excel-based worksheets replicated in Figures 1 and 2 is focused only on funding provided by the Vocational-Technical Education Enhancement Grant, not the combined cost of grant funding and local match. This is a point that will be revisited in this appendix due to its difference from past years’ fiscal administration through the Excel-based Approved EGFV4 that listed both the total cost of an item and the amount of reimbursement. The former system also calculated reimbursement based on the categorical classification and the cost of the purchased item, but when entering a unit cost or an amount of requested reimbursement in FY19, grantees will only focus on those dollars contributed by the grant to the total project cost.

Awards for those grant applications that have been fully approved have been loaded into ePeGS as allocations and are ready for entry of budget breakouts on the Capital Outlay and Budget Grid screens. Grants that have been conditionally approved will not have their full award uploaded into ePeGS until they have been categorized as being fully approved.

Staff tasked with entry of data, and grant administration must get permission from their district to access the “CTE Enhancement Grant” portal that has been established in ePeGS. Staff from postsecondary education institutions with these responsibilities will need to complete and submit a User-Id Request form for the
Enhancement Grant, which is available online at:
http://dese.mo.gov/sites/default/files/dac_forms/MO5002377.pdf

Once logged into the Department’s web applications, follow the available options to ePeGS, as shown in Figure 3, use the drop down box to select the district or institution of choice, and then opening the Funding Application Menu as shown in Figure 4.

**Figure 3**

- **User Applications**
  - **DESE Web Applications**
    - Annual Report of the County Clerk to the State Board of Education
    - ARRA
    - Compliance Plans (Federal and State)
    - Data Collection
    - Educator Certification System - Request Educator Access
    - ePeGS
    - Missouri Comprehensive Data System (MCDS)
    - Nonpublic Registration Form
    - School Finance
    - User Manager
  - **Report**
    - Report Menu -- All data and/or reports are now available through the Missouri Comprehensive Data System (MCDS) Portal.
  - **User Information**
    - Change Password
    - Edit User Profile
    - Edit Security Question/Answer
    - Logon/Logoff

**Figure 4**

Open the Career Education funding stream information by clicking “Show” as demonstrated in Figure 5, then select Career Education Enhancement Grant as shown in Figure 6.
Select Budget Application (see Figure 7), then Create Budget Application (see Figure 8).

This will open the Capital Outlay screen (Figure 9) which is to be populated with budget figures provided on the “ePeGS Capital Outlay” worksheet that was included in the Excel-based Approved EGFV4 file sent to each grantee at an earlier date, and described in Figure 2 of this appendix.

Important Note: As was a highlighted point earlier in this appendix, only the funds the grantee will receive from the Vocational-Technical Education Grant will be entered into, and managed through ePeGS. The Excel-based ePeGS Capital Outlay worksheet provides those figures for the grantee, but it is worth noting that since grant guidelines define Instructional Equipment as a three-dimensional item with a minimum cost of $1,000 and a useable life of more than one year, all items meeting that definition and categorized as such will qualify for reimbursement at 75% of cost, but not all will be classified as Capital Outlay. Since the focus is on grant funding and level of reimbursement, from the perspective of ePeGS the unit cost of an item priced at the minimum qualifying price of $1,000 to be considered as equipment would be $750, which would not be
considered as Capital Outlay. The actual minimum unit cost of equipment necessary to qualify as Capital Outlay is $1,333.33, 75 percent of which is $1,000.

As such, it will not be unusual for a grant to have some equipment categorized in ePeGS as Capital Outlay and some as a Material and Supply, but every piece of equipment will qualify for reimbursement at 75%, and each unit is subject to Department guidelines regarding inventoried property.

The figures in the Excel-based worksheets included with the Approved EGFV4 file provide grantees with the correct division of costs that fit into Capital Outlay and other ePeGS-based cost categories, but since grantees will be entering figures in a column entitled “Unit Cost” in the Capital Outlay screen seems worthwhile to note that only is focused on grant money, not total cost.

This is a point anticipated to be rectified by FY19 when the dedicated Vocational-Technical Enhancement Grant ePeGS system is likely to be rolled out for grant administration.

The ePeGS screen in Figure 9 is confined to that portion of capital outlay that is equipment, and is provided as disaggregated information on the left half of the Excel-based “ePeGS Capital Outlay” worksheet.

![Figure 9](image-url)

Any portion of an enhancement grant budget meeting the definition of capital outlay, but that is not equipment is part of a renovation project, with the total tally of all renovation costs in the budget provided to you in the upper right hand corner of the Excel-based “ePeGS Capital Outlay” worksheet and shown below as Figure 10.

![Figure 10](image-url)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Area</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1311 Agricultural Education</td>
<td>$27,000.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1321 Business Education</td>
<td>$0.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1331 Family and Consumer Sciences Education</td>
<td>$0.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
On the ePeGS Capital Outlay screen the same renovation budget tally as shown on the Excel file should be entered into that portion of the screen dedicated to record all non-equipment capital outlay, and as shown in Figure 11.

**Figure 11**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Area</th>
<th>Costs/Equipment</th>
<th>Construction Cost</th>
<th>Alteration/Remodeling Cost</th>
<th>Real Estate Cost</th>
<th>Total Cost</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Transportation and Maintenance</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>0.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Facilities Acquisition and Construction</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>0.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**NOTE:** Do Not enter any monetary amount into the box provided for Transportation and Maintenance. Even if an enhancement grant’s budget includes funding for a vehicle, its purpose is as a piece of instructional equipment, not transportation.

Enhancement grant recipients with a portion of their grant dedicated for renovation can simply refer to the project description that was included in the narrative component of the application rather than providing a justification statement in ePeGS (Figure 12). However, the estimated project start date, finish date and final invoice submission date are to be included. If any date is outside the perimeters of the grant period, the use of Enhancement Grant funds for that portion of the project will not be allowed.
The compliance statement check box must be checked in order for the page to save. Check the box, click Save, then continue to the next page.

I certify to the best of my knowledge, I agree to comply with specific requirements stated above relating to any construction, alteration/renovation, real estate, or bus/vehicle purchases.

The total dollar amounts saved on the Capital Outlay page (Figures 14a and 14b) will automatically populate to the appropriate function/object code area of the Budget Grid page.
The balance of the Budget Grid (Figure 14c) will consist of items assigned to no more than two general cost categories: Purchased Services and/or Materials & Supplies. The grantee will use the budgetary figures provided in the Excel-based Budget Grid (see Figure 1) to complete this portion of the task. Once this step is complete, the grantee is ready to return to the menu option on the left side of the screen and choose Submittal and Approval.

Before the budget application can be submitted, the grantee must read the Core Assurances and Grant Specific Assurances and agree to both of them by clicking on the link and then clicking on the Agree to Assurances button. Click Close to return to the Submittal/Approval (Figure 15).
The grantee can only submit the budget application if hard errors do not exist.

Click the Edits button (if applicable) to see if changes are necessary. If hard errors exist, the user will need to return to the appropriate page to correct the errors before they can submit the budget. Hard errors are indicated with an “E” in the Edit Message. The budget application can be submitted if warnings indicated with a “W” are only displaying as edits.

After all hard errors have been corrected click the Submit button (as shown in Figure 15).

If the submit date is before July 1, the substantially approved date automatically sets to July 1. The grantee may not begin obligating Enhancement Grant funds prior to the substantially approved date.

The grantee will receive an automated email from DESE indicating if the application was approved or disapproved. The email will be sent to the Enhancement Grant contact listed on Core Data Screen 3. Please note that DESE cannot change to whom this information is sent. **Grantees must ensure that contact information as reported in August Cycle Core Data Screen 3 is accurate and up-to-date.**

Although FY19 grants have either been approved, fully or conditionally approved, this step is a requirement of the ePeGS system to allow financial administration to be run through the online system.

If for any reason the budget application is disapproved, log back in to make necessary corrections and resubmit.

**Part B-Budget Revisions**

Grantees have the opportunity to request budget revisions from July 1-December 31, 2019. Movement of money can be from one program area to another, provided that the recipient program was included in the original grant request for FY19.

Department approval of the proposed revision will require the grantee to demonstrate how the revised expenditure of funding will better enable one or more programs to meet their short- or long-term improvement plans. Likewise, if the revised budget will include items not yet authorized by the Department, but intended for partial payment by grant funding, the grantee must provide a description which includes:
• The building (or campus) and classroom where the item(s) will be housed;
• The name of the teacher who will be teaching the grant-eligible content, the program area, education level, CIP Code and course title for which the item(s) is intended for use;
• Whether the item is categorized as instructional equipment; non-consumable instructional supply or material; software/curriculum; network or Internet installation/service contract/maintenance agreement; instructor training; storage cabinets; or renovations; and
• A description of the item(s) including the number of units, the estimated unit cost and total cost; and the estimated reimbursement, per unit and per line item if multiple units are proposed for purchase.

Grantees should provide all narrative information related to revisions in the School/LEA text box located on the ePeGS system. Capital outlay and budget revisions will also be placed in ePeGS. [Note: this must be sufficient in detail as approval/disapproval decisions will be made based upon this information. This is an auditable record of your grant activity.]

To revise the budget application, access the budget application as described in Part A of this appendix. To begin the revision process, click the Create Revision link under Budget Application on the Grant Summary page (see Figure 17).

Figure 17

Update the budget application pages where needed using the steps in Part A of this appendix, then compare changes made in revised budget grid to the last approved budget grid by clicking on the Compare Budget Grids button. This will bring up the grid comparison report which displays both the unapproved budget revision and the last approved budget. Cells marked with an * denote changes made to the budget as a result of the proposed revision.

After eliminating any errors, click the Submit button.

**Part C-Payment Requests**

All grant funds must be **incurred and expended**, not merely encumbered, prior to March 31, 2019, and all requests for reimbursement of expenditures with grant funding shall be submitted by the grantee no later than that same date. To request payment/reimbursement of authorized expenditures, access the budget application as described in Part A of this appendix.

**Important Note:** As addressed elsewhere in this appendix, the grantee will compute the amount of funding that is due for reimbursement and enter that amount, **not a unit cost**, for an item or a tally of unit costs for a series of items. Those items that have been approved by the Department as authorized Instructional Equipment purchases shall be entered into ePeGS and reimbursed at 75 percent of the actual purchase price while all other authorized costs will be reimbursed at 50 percent of the actual purchase price.

Unit costs are authorized by the Department during the grant application review process. Grantees may not exceed that purchase price and/or the total amount budgeted for the respective line item on the Approved EGFV4 by more than ten percent of the approved amount without prior Departmental authorization. Purchases
for an amount lower than that authorized may be submitted for line item reimbursement without prior consultation or consent by the Department.

Following are general guidelines pertaining to enhancement grant budget management and requests for reimbursement:

- Payment requests cannot be completed until an initial budget application for the corresponding fiscal year has been approved through the ePeGS system.
- Enhancement grant funds may be requested as frequently as each month based on the approved budget. Schools are encouraged to regularly review local grant expenditures and request reimbursements as appropriate.
- Expenditures in the payment request can only be requested where funds have been budgeted and expended for that fiscal year, based on the current iteration of the approved budget application.
- Actual cumulative year-to-date expenditures must be entered in the payment request grid, as payments requested must be for reimbursement of expenditures already incurred by the LEA.
- The ePeGS system will automatically calculate the payment request amount based on the actual cumulative year-to-date expenditures minus the amount paid to date.
- A ten percent variance in the payment request amount compared to the budgeted amount is allowed for each object code (column) total. To calculate the ten percent variance, take the total amount budgeted in the budget grid and multiply by ten percent. This is the calculated amount that each object code (column) total on the payment request can be increased from the original budgeted column total without exceeding the total funds available. If any object code (column) totals being requested exceed the calculated ten percent variance, a budget revision must be created and approved prior to the payment request.
- Payments may be requested once a month, and are due by 11:59 p.m. on the first day of each month regardless on which day of the week the first falls.
- Payment requests cannot be submitted if a corresponding fiscal year budget application is in submitted status.
  - All payments must be requested by March 31, 2019 as the system will not accept requests after that date.
  - Submitting a Final Expenditure Report (FER) is required. Payments will be held from processing if the prior year FER has not been submitted and is past the due date.

In order to request a payment, from within the ePeGS system the grantee should first select the web link Payment Request (Figure 18) and then the web link for Create Payment Request (Figure 19).

![Figure 18 (disregard dates shown in this example)](image1)

Expenditures can only be entered in the payment grid where funds have been budgeted in the last approved budget application.
Once the grantee has entered the amounts for which reimbursement will be requested, the process should progress to the certification box. At this step, the grantee should enter any comments pertinent and necessary to expedite payment by the Department, check the assurance box and save the request (see Figure 21). These comments are auditable records and should explain any significant variances between the currently approved budget and the payment request. Generally, a ten percent (10%) variance is considered significant.
If the Edit button appears, view the edits by clicking the button and fix all hard errors (hard errors will be indicated with an (E) before resaving and submitting.

The grantee will receive an automated email from DESE indicating if the payment was approved or disapproved. The email will be sent to the Enhancement Grant contact listed on Core Data Screen 3. Please note that DESE cannot change to whom this information is sent. **The grantee must ensure that contact information as reported in August Cycle Core Data Screen 3 is accurate and up-to-date.** If the payment request is disapproved, log back in to make necessary corrections and resubmit.

If a payment request is in a submitted status, the grantee may revise the payment request if necessary. Revising a payment request will put the payment back in created status and it will not be processed until it is resubmitted and approved. If the grantee needs to revise a payment request while it is in approved status, the grantee will need to contact the DESE fiscal contact for assistance.

To revise a payment request the grantee should go to the Grant Summary screen under Payment Request and click on Revise Payment Request (Figure 23). Then click OK to delete the current payment request (Figure 24). This will pull the request as initially submitted out of the monthly payment. The payment will need to be resubmitted by the payment deadline in order for the payment to be processed in the monthly school payment.
The payment request will be in created status once the OK button has been selected (Figure 25).

Update the payment request where needed using the steps in Part C of this appendix of this guide. Then once all hard errors have been corrected click the Submit button.

Follow the same process to submit subsequent requests, which can only be done after the most recent request has been processed. A record of payment requests and related action will be displayed in Payment Request screen (Figure 26).
Part D-Final Expenditure Report

The Enhancement Grant Final Expenditure Report (FER) is due March 31, 2019. The FER can be used to request final reimbursement of Enhancement Grant funds that have not already been requested by the LEA or postsecondary institution. The final payment will be paid in the next monthly school payment after DESE approval of the FER. The Department is under no obligation to approve payment requests submitted after the deadline, or to award another enhancement grant to the grantee for the subsequent fiscal year.

Figure 27

Access the FER by clicking on “Show” (Figure 27) and then “Create FER” (Figure 28).

Figure 28

The FER can be accessed by grantees between March 1 through March 31, 2019 should be reported in the FER grid. The total amount entered in the FER grid may not exceed the total funds available amount.

A ten percent variance in the FER grid amount compared to the budgeted amount for FY19 is allowed for each object code (column) total. To calculate the ten percent variance, take the total amount budgeted in the budget grid and multiply by ten percent. This is the calculated amount that each object code (column) total on the FER grid can be increased from the original budgeted column total. If any object code (column) totals being reported exceed the calculated ten percent variance, a budget revision must be created and approved prior to submitting the FER.

Expenditures reported in each function code in the grid must match or be cross-walked to the LEA’s general ledger. Do not round expenditures reported in the FER grid. Expenditures can only be entered on the FER grid where funds have been budgeted in the last approved budget application for the same fiscal year. These
amounts will appear in the top portion of each cell on the FER grid. Enter the actual amount of Enhancement Grant funds expended in the lower portion of each cell.

Click the Assurances check box and Save button to total and save the FER grid. This will calculate the Final Payment Amount, if any, for Enhancement Grant funds. Click Continue or Save and Continue to be directed to the next page.

The summary table at the top of the page will display the LEA’s 2018-19 Enhancement Grant expenditures and the FER payment amount the LEA can expect to receive. An assurance statement displays at the bottom of the page.

If the red edits button is visible, view the edits by clicking the button (make sure your pop-up blocker is not on). Hard Errors (E) must be fixed before the LEA is allowed to submit. The FER can be submitted if only Warnings (W) exist. Click the Submit button to submit the FER.

**FER Submitted Status:**

1. Submitted Zero Payment – LEA has already requested their Enhancement Grant funds and will not receive another payment.
2. Submitted – LEA has not requested all of their Enhancement Grant funds and will receive their final payment once the FER is approved.
3. Submitted Overpayment – LEA has requested more Enhancement Grant funds than what was actually expended. LEA will need to submit a refund check for the overage.

The LEA will receive an automated email from DESE indicating if the FER was approved or disapproved. The email will be sent to the Enhancement Grant contact listed on Core Data Screen 3. Please note that DESE cannot change to whom this information is sent. **LEA must insure that contact information as reported in August Cycle Core Data Screen 3 is accurate and up-to-date.** If disapproved, log back in to make necessary corrections and resubmit.
Appendix VIII
FY19 Grant-Year Progress Report

All LEAs are required to submit a progress report that describes the accomplishments made toward the implementation of their current plan for Career and Technical Education (CTE). An advisory committee with no fewer than twelve (12) members shall be established by each eligible institution prior to a grant award. This committee shall be composed of at least two (2) members representing each of the following groups: business persons, labor leaders, parents, senior citizens, community leaders and teachers. The committee shall assist the grant recipient with the development of a plan which will ensure that graduates proceed to a two (2)- or four (4)-year college/university or a high wage job with workplace skill development opportunities. This plan shall be developed prior to the close of the fiscal year that the grant recipient receives an initial grant under the grant award program. It is anticipated that most FY19 Enhancement Grant recipients will have had previous grants and already have a CTE program improvement, and/or short- or long-term plans in place. This plan is usually aligned to the building and CSIP plans already in place in school districts. Post-secondary institutions should also have program plans in place that drive decision-making for CTE.

Schools may wish to address the following when writing their progress report:
A. Identify the programs that were impacted with FY19 Enhancement Grant Funds
B. How many students were impacted by the grant funds for each program funded?
C. Discuss major accomplishments for each program that directly relates to Enhancement Grant funding
D. Discuss objectives that were not met during the FY19 Enhancement Grant cycle and reasons for their not being met
E. Describe the extent to which Enhancement Grant funding contributes to program improvement and/or continued program viability
F. Both quantitative and qualitative data, when available, should be included in the report

Progress reports should be submitted via email to Janice.rehak@dese.mo.gov or to enhancement@dese.mo.gov not later than May 15, 2019. Please place Enhancement Grant FY19 Progress Report in the subject line of your email.