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MEMORANDUM

TO: Eligible Recipients of Section 131 (Secondary) and Section 132 (Postsecondary) Perkins IV Federal Career and Technical Education Funds Authorized by Public Law 109-270

FROM: Rod Duckworth *RW*

DATE: May 19, 2017

SUBJECT: Perkins IV Technical Skill Attainment Window

The Division of Career and Adult Education will accept requests for additions to the 2017-2018 Perkins IV Technical Skill Attainment Inventories (secondary, postsecondary-clock hour and postsecondary college credit) between now and June 30, 2017. As you may recall, these inventories are comprised of evaluation instruments (industry certifications, state and federal licensures, third-party-developed assessments) that are deemed valid and reliable for reporting technical skill attainment (2S1, 1P1, 1A1) as required by Perkins IV.

The criteria for adoption of an evaluation instrument is that it be a valid and reliable measurement directly related to the learning outcomes of an occupational program and considered occupationally specific. In addition, the evaluation instrument requires a minimum of 150 hours of instruction or the equivalent of 3 credit hours.*

The following forms of assessment may be accepted to measure technical skill attainment:

1. Federal or state regulatory agency-developed assessment instrument leading to licensure
2. Industry-developed assessment instrument leading to industry certification
3. Industry-developed end of program assessments
4. Proprietary company-developed assessment instrument leading to certification of proficiency in one or more company product
5. Third-party-developed assessment instrument

*Many of Florida's CTE programs are not "occupationally specific" job preparatory programs (do not contain occupational completion points that are tied to standard occupational classification codes). In these instances the "occupationally specific" requirement is waived. However, the requested evaluation instrument must be a valid and reliable measurement directly related to the learning outcomes of the CTE program. The 150 hours instructional threshold will be waived for CTE programs that are less than 150 hours in program length.

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Please also note, if a new program has been created in 2017-18 to replace a daggered or deleted program (example, Web Development v. Web Design), the division will apply the existing certification(s) linkages to the new program. Certifications that appear on the CAPE Secondary or CAPE Postsecondary Funding List will not automatically apply to the TSA Inventory; those certifications must be requested through the TSA request process and include a linkage to a designated program.

Please visit <http://www.fldoe.org/academics/career-adult-edu/funding-opportunities/carl-d-perkins-career-technical-edu/carl-d-perkins-resources.stml> for a list of the preliminary inventories for 2017-18. Please use the attached Excel form to submit requests no later than June 30, 2017. If you need further assistance, please contact Bruce Harrington at Bruce.Harrington@fldoe.org.

RD/BH

Attachments