

KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
AGENDA STATEMENT

No. 9 f.

MEETING OF: August 10, 2022

ITEM TITLE:

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to approve the DEED CTE partnership grant for the CNA program.

REVIEWED BY:


Superintendent
 Finance
 Administration

SUBMITTED BY: Melissa Johnson, Assistant Superintendent

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APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:



Superintendent

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The School Board is being asked to approve the application of the Department of Education's Career and Technical Education (CTE) grant in the amount of \$25,000.

ISSUE:

Per Board Policy 3291, School Board approval is required for grant applications exceeding \$5,000. Each year the district submits applications for the award of formula state and federal continuation grants.

BACKGROUND:

The health field is one of the fastest growing professions in the United States so the Ketchikan School district will partner with University of Alaska Southeast (UAS) to provide a program for high school students to receive a CNA license. Meet with other school districts (specifically Metlakatla and Prince of Whales) and develop a working relationship and plan to either include their students in our newly formed CNA program or help create their own CNA program in their local community.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of the Department of Education CTE grant as presented

ATTACHMENTS:

CTE Partnership Grant

FISCAL NOTE:

This grant is in the amount of \$25,000

RECOMMENDED ACTION *(Only if not approved as part of the Consent Calendar):*

"I move that the Board of Education approve the DEED CTE partnership grant application for our CNA Program in the total amount of \$25,000."

CTE Partnership grant for \$25,000

Project Need:

The students of the Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District (KGSBD) have been impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic. Many students have academic learning loss and lack motivation to attend school. The Ketchikan High school will provide a CTE program to motivate students to attend school while increasing Career Technology Opportunities. The CTE program will be to achieve a CNA license at the end of the school year.

The funds would provide financial support to a group of students to take a class at the University of Alaska Southeast and do clinicals in their local hospital or hometown clinic. 10 students at \$2928 will benefit from the CNA program. The students at KHS can attend the class and have flexibility in their schedule to complete this course, because the class will be all day every Wednesday starting during the second semester. If a student is from an outlining community, then they will be included in the classes and joining via Zoom.

The funds would also be used to work with outlining communities (i/e Metlakatla, Klawock, and Craig) to provide assistance on how to develop a plan to create a CNA CTE program for the 2022-2023 Spring Term or for the next school year (2023-2024). The Ketchikan School district would work with other districts to make sure that the communities have a nurse (that is approved thru the board of nursing) to provide the practicals to create a partnership that the Ketchikan nurse may fly over to the outlining communities to provide the number of required hours for their clinicals. We would also provide housing for the traveling students to come to Ketchikan so they could get the clinical hours at our local Pioneer home.

Project Goals:

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Major Activities/ Program Details:

All CNA classes, provided by UAS, will be held on Wednesdays starting the second semester January 4th, 2023. All enrolled students will be required to attend class on Wednesdays and do in person practicals (local nurse) and clinicals in the local hospitals/clinics.

Meet with other school districts and develop a working relationship and plan to either include their students in our newly formed CNA program or help create their own CNA program in their local community. All meetings would include our local connection with UAS Ketchikan to build solid relationships and programs for the future.

Removing Barriers:

Ensuring equal opportunity for all participants is critical to the success of the program. We need to support students who are disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sustainability:

Evidence Based Comprehensive dual enrollment CTE programs will be sustained into the future at the KGBSD. Beyond the life of this grant, it is imperative that our school district prioritize after school supports that focus on career development. The KGBSD will work with the Ketchikan Indian Community as a partner to engage in partnering on grants to help the 35% KIC citizens that we share. Additionally, the KGBSD is committed to either using other grant funds to continue this prioritized support.

Partnerships:

The KGBSD works in partnership with the Ketchikan Indian Community Tribal Clinic, Peace Health Hospital, Pioneer Home in Ketchikan, University of Alaska Southeast Campus, Metlakatla School District, Klawock School District, Craig School District, and any other school districts in Southeast that would like to partner, to ensure the success of our shared students.

The goal of this partnership is to provide guidance and support to develop a similar program at each of the high schools in Southeast Alaska, along with a partnership of providing housing for students to complete the clinical/practical nursing program requirements.