

KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION  
AGENDA STATEMENT

No. 8 b.

MEETING OF December 14, 2022

ITEM TITLE:

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to approve the application(s) of the Skills  
Career Camp Grant in the amount up to \$25,000

REVIEWED BY:


Superintendent  
 Finance  
 Administration

SUBMITTED BY: Melissa Johnson, Assistant Superintendent

CONTACT PERSON/TELEPHONE:

Melissa Johnson      247 2136  
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APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

  
Superintendent

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The School Board is being asked to approve the application(s) of the Skills Career Camp Grant in the amount up to \$25,000

ISSUE:

Per Board Policy 3291, School Board approval is required for grant applications exceeding \$5,000.

BACKGROUND:

The Alaska Department of Education & Early Development (DEED) is directing COVID discretionary funding toward student learning recovery opportunities for students focused on Alaska's Education Challenge Trajectory #2: Increase career, technical, and culturally relevant education to meet student and workforce needs. These camps for students will be implemented from Spring 2022 through Summer 2023 as intensive learning opportunities beyond the classroom. Responses to the COVID pandemic have limited the hands-on work-based learning Career and Technical Education (CTE) opportunities for Alaska's students. The purpose of these grants is to provide opportunities for students to catch up their career awareness and get a head start on career skills to enhance their opportunities after high school.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of the application(s) of the Skills Career Camp Grant in the amount up to \$25,000.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CTE Skills/Career Camps for Students

FISCAL NOTE:

EXPENDITURE REQUIRED: N/A

AMOUNT BUDGETED: N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION: "I move that the Board of Education **approve the grant application(s) of the Skills Career Camp in the amount up to \$25,000.**"

## CTE Skills/Career Camps for Students

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Camps for students to explore careers through exposure to technical skills should fit the following parameters:

- At least 1 week intensive (40 hours) or similar amount of “dispersed” hands-on instruction in a specific career pathway or cluster
- 15-30 student participants for grants up to \$30,000
- Students learning onsite in an industry space or travelling equipment
- Requires partnership with industry/employer instructors, settings, and processes
- Delivered sometime between Spring 2022 and Summer 2023
- Public school students – can include middle, high school students, and recent graduates
- Funds can cover some administrative costs, student travel, tuition, instructor expenses and compensation, supplies, materials, equipment, etc.

### Proposal Submission

These grants are available for program implementation through the summer of 2023. Grants are awarded on a rolling basis on a first-come first-serve basis while funds last. (As of October 2022, funding exists for DEED to award up to twenty \$30,000 grants.) Proposals for funding should be no longer than two pages and address a program summary, partners involved, and address the bullets above. Please include proposed budget details. The lead coordinating organization (school district, industry partner, etc.) should submit the proposal by email to:

Brad Billings at [brad.billings@alaska.gov](mailto:brad.billings@alaska.gov)  
Administrator, Career and Technical Education  
Alaska Department of Education & Early Development  
*\*please note “CTE Skills/Career Camp Proposal” in the email subject line*

Be creative and think outside the box to provide career opportunities for students. Contact Brad Billings with any questions or to discuss possible options!