



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3317.014 Career-tech education program funding.

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(A) The multiples for the following categories of career-technical education programs approved by the department of education and workforce under section 3317.161 of the Revised Code shall be as follows:

(1) A multiple of 0.6230 for students enrolled in career-technical education workforce development programs in agricultural and environmental systems, construction technologies, engineering and science technologies, finance, health science, information technology, and manufacturing technologies, each of which shall be defined by the department in consultation with the governor's office of workforce transformation;

(2) A multiple of 0.5905 for students enrolled in workforce development programs in business and administration, hospitality and tourism, human services, law and public safety, transportation systems, and arts and communications, each of which shall be defined by the department in consultation with the governor's office of workforce transformation;

(3) A multiple of 0.2154 for students enrolled in career-based intervention programs, which shall be defined by the department in consultation with the governor's office of workforce transformation;

(4) A multiple of 0.1830 for students enrolled in workforce development programs in education and training, marketing, workforce development academics, public administration, and career development, each of which shall be defined by the department in consultation with the governor's office of workforce transformation;

(5) A multiple of 0.1570 for students enrolled in family and consumer science programs, which shall be defined by the department in consultation with the governor's office of workforce transformation.

(B) The multiple for career-technical education associated services, as defined by the department, shall be 0.0294.



(C) The department shall calculate career-technical education funds for each funding unit that is a city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district or the community and STEM school unit as follows:

(1) For fiscal years 2026 and 2027, the sum of the following:

(a) The funding unit's category one career-technical education ADM X the multiple specified in division (A)(1) of this section X the statewide average career-technical base cost per pupil for that fiscal year X if the funding unit is a city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district, the district's state share percentage;

(b) The funding unit's category two career-technical education ADM X the multiple specified in division (A)(2) of this section X the statewide average career-technical base cost per pupil for that fiscal year X if the funding unit is a city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district, the district's state share percentage;

(c) The funding unit's category three career-technical education ADM X the multiple specified in division (A)(3) of this section X the statewide average career-technical base cost per pupil for that fiscal year X if the funding unit is a city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district, the district's state share percentage;

(d) The funding unit's category four career-technical education ADM X the multiple specified in division (A)(4) of this section X the statewide average career-technical base cost per pupil for that fiscal year X if the funding unit is a city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district, the district's state share percentage;

(e) The funding unit's category five career-technical education ADM X the multiple specified in division (A)(5) of this section X the statewide average career-technical base cost per pupil for that fiscal year X if the funding unit is a city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district, the district's state share percentage.

(2) For fiscal year 2028 and each fiscal year thereafter, the sum of the following:



(a) An amount calculated in a manner determined by the general assembly times the funding unit's category one career-technical education ADM;

(b) An amount calculated in a manner determined by the general assembly times the funding unit's category two career-technical education ADM;

(c) An amount calculated in a manner determined by the general assembly times the funding unit's category three career-technical education ADM;

(d) An amount calculated in a manner determined by the general assembly times the funding unit's category four career-technical education ADM;

(e) An amount calculated in a manner determined by the general assembly times the funding unit's category five career-technical education ADM.

(3) Payment of funds calculated under division (C) of this section is subject to approval under section 3317.161 of the Revised Code.

(D) Subject to division (I) of section 3317.023 of the Revised Code, the department shall calculate career-technical associated services funds for each funding unit that is a city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district or the community and STEM school unit as follows:

(1) For fiscal years 2026 and 2027, the following product:

(If the funding unit is a city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district, the funding unit's state share percentage) X the multiple for career-technical education associated services specified under division (B) of this section X the statewide average career-technical base cost per pupil for that fiscal year X the sum of the funding unit's categories one through five career-technical education ADM

(2) For fiscal year 2028 and each fiscal year thereafter, an amount calculated in a manner determined by the general assembly times the funding unit's categories one through five career-technical



education ADM.

(E)(1) In accordance with division (I) of section 3317.023 of the Revised Code, the department shall compute career awareness and exploration funds for each city, local, exempted village, and joint vocational school district, community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, and STEM school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code that is part of a career technical planning district. The department shall pay the lead district in each career technical planning district as follows:

(a) For fiscal years 2026 and 2027, an amount equal to the following product:

The sum of enrolled ADM for all districts and schools within the career technical planning district X
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(b) For fiscal year 2028 and each fiscal year thereafter, an amount calculated in a manner determined by the general assembly, if the general assembly authorizes such a payment to city, local, exempted village, and joint vocational school districts, community schools, and STEM schools.

(2) The lead district of a career technical planning district shall use career awareness and exploration funds in accordance with division (H) of this section.

(F)(1) In any fiscal year, a school district receiving funds calculated under division (C) of this section shall spend those funds only for the purposes that the department designates as approved for career-technical education expenses. Career-technical education expenses approved by the department shall include only expenses connected to the delivery of career-technical programming to career-technical students. The department shall require the school district to report data annually so that the department may monitor the district's compliance with the requirements regarding the manner in which funding calculated under division (C) of this section may be spent.

(2) All funds received under division (C) of this section shall be spent in the following manner:

(a) At least seventy-five per cent of the funds shall be spent on curriculum development, purchase, and implementation; instructional resources and supplies; industry-based program certification;



student assessment, credentialing, and placement; curriculum specific equipment purchases and leases; career-technical student organization fees and expenses; home and agency linkages; work-based learning experiences; professional development; and other costs directly associated with career-technical education programs including development of new programs.

(b) Not more than twenty-five per cent of the funds shall be used for personnel expenditures.

(G) In any fiscal year, a school district receiving funds calculated under division (D) of this section, or through a transfer of funds pursuant to division (I) of section 3317.023 of the Revised Code, shall spend those funds only for the purposes that the department designates as approved for career-technical education associated services expenses, which may include all of the following purposes:

(1) Engaging and collaborating with education and workforce stakeholders in the service area;

(2) Developing and maintaining a comprehensive plan to increase career-focused education activities;

(3) Ensuring that plans are informed by quality data and using data to expand access to career-focused activities for all students;

(4) Planning and allocating resources for the growth, sustainability, and enhancement of career-focused activities in the long term;

(5) Establishing continuous improvement and program approval processes.

The department may deny payment of funds calculated under division (D) of this section to any district that the department determines is not operating those services or is using funds calculated under division (D) of this section, or through a transfer of funds pursuant to division (I) of section 3317.023 of the Revised Code, for other purposes.

(H) In any fiscal year, a lead district of a career-technical planning district receiving funds under division (E) of this section, shall utilize those funds to deliver relevant career awareness and exploration programs to all students within its career technical planning district in a manner that is



consistent with the career-technical planning district's plan that is on file with the department. The lead district that receives funds under this division shall spend those funds only for the following purposes:

- (1) Delivery of career awareness programs to students enrolled in grades kindergarten through twelve;
- (2) Provision of a common, consistent curriculum to students throughout their primary and secondary education;
- (3) Assistance to teachers in providing a career development curriculum to students;
- (4) Development of a career development plan for each student that stays with that student for the duration of the student's primary and secondary education;
- (5) Provision of opportunities for students to engage in activities, such as career fairs, hands-on experiences, and job shadowing, across all career pathways at each grade level;
- (6) Provision of mentorship opportunities through which students may learn about careers and workforce skills.

The lead district that receives funds under division (E) of this section shall report on the use of those funds to the department in a manner prescribed by the department.

The department may deny payment under this division to any district or school that the department determines is using funds paid under this division for other purposes.