

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
June 11, 2020

OFFICE OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

08.D. Action: Award a competitive grant for Combined Services [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Background and Purpose: The grantee will assist the Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Office of the Chief Academic Officer, the Office of Secondary Education, the Office of Career and Technical Education, the Office of School Improvement, and the Office of Special Education with planning, development, delivery, and monitoring of statewide curriculum frameworks and initiatives to improve graduation rates for all students and improve the provision of high quality college and career development for all students. The purpose of the Combined Services Grant is implementation of the following activities: (1) providing professional development and assistance for local districts; (2) designing dropout and graduation restructuring plans that align with the MDE’s ESSA plan; (3) supporting the MDE counseling personnel in the development of college and career readiness trainings and guidance materials, (4) supporting development of website for the Office of Secondary Education and Career and Technical Education; and (5) providing online learning guidance for Canvas courses in Career and Technical Education.

Renewal of grant for years two (2) and three (3) shall be contingent upon the successful completion of services from the preceding fiscal year’s grant and the availability of funds.

Scope of Grant:

- Grant Period: July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021
(With a liquidation period ending July 15, 2021)
- Award Amount: \$3,860,000
- Method of Award: Request for Proposal

Funding Source: State and Federal funds

Summary of Selection Process:

A competitive grant selection process was utilized to award the grants.

Scoring Criteria:

- A. Program Plan and Implementation
- B. Staffing and Professional Development
- C. Budget Overview, Narrative, and Summary

This item references Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of the *Mississippi Board of Education 2018-2022 Strategic Plan*.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached