

**Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century, Advancing
Career and Technical Education through
Entrepreneurship Education and Training (EET) Grant
Competitive Grant FY 2020-2021
#2 Questions and Answers
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Question #1:

Is a no-cost extension an option if a project cannot be fully implemented by June 30? If so, would the no-cost extension be for a full year or shorter time period?

Answer #1:

A no-cost extension for this grant opportunity is not anticipated. All funds associated with the grant must be obligated and encumbered by June 30th and in some cases, some projects will be able to fully execute/deploy the project by June 30, some may pilot aspects of the pilot by June 30, other projects will plan and spend the funds by June 30 with full deployment and execution in the next academic year.

Question #2:

Does the FLDOE plan to offer a similar grant for 2021- 2022? (I was on the 10/6 FACTE/FLDOE webinar and one of the presenters mentioned the FLDOE had additional funds coming after the current grant.) If we knew further funds would be available in the following year, it might help us to think of our project in stages so that we could scale back on the current project and propose part of the overall design in a second round.

Answer #2:

No, at this time the EET grant is offered for the 2020-2021 program year.

Question #3:

Is there any restriction on hiring someone via a professional services contract (vs. hiring a new College employee) to operate a grant project like EET?

Answer #3:

No, there are no restrictions on hiring professional services contractor(s)/consultants with expertise in EET.

Question #4:

The grant we are putting together will include a pitch competition for student teams, we would like to offer the winning team to take back a makers set (3d printer, supplies etc.) for their school. Is this an allowable expense?

Answer #4:

Yes. Equipment, materials and supplies can be purchased for student instruction use. Remember, to adhere to your agency's equipment purchase and inventory management requirements.

Question #5:

Are non-credit, college level programs eligible for the EET Grant?

Answer #5:

This opportunity only applies to Perkins fundable programs and non-credit continuing education is not Perkins funding eligible activity.

Question #6:

Does the abstract form for the narrative count as a page?

Answer #6:

Yes, the abstract chart in the narrative section and is included in the 20-page maximum.

Question #7:

My team is considering establishing an internship program where students in our entrepreneurship certificate program would intern with local small businesses. Is it allowable to use grant funds to compensate the interns via stipend or another mechanism?

Answer #7:

No, Perkins V funds cannot be used to pay student stipends.

Question #8:

Can EET funds be used to pay for meals/refreshments if a regular mealtime is contained within the workshop schedule?

Answer #8:

No. Perkins V funds cannot be used to pay for food/meals during a workshop. However, authorized staff can be reimbursed through meal per diem during approved travel.

Question #9:

Can EET funds be used to pay for books, completion certificates, or any recognition of completion of the program/element of the program?

Answer #9:

Yes, Perkins V funds can be used for instructional materials. No, Perkins V funds cannot be used to purchase recognition-type products and awards.

Question #10: It states in the “Note:” section on page 3 of the FLDOE RFP “The Commissioner may recommend an amount greater or less than the amount requested in the proposed project and will prioritize projects that: Support non-traditional and special population access.” Can you please clarify that statement and give examples as to what “Support of non-traditional and special population access” specifically refers to?

Answer #10: Perkins V and Florida’s Perkins V State Plan addresses non-traditional and special population access and equity. Please visit <https://www.fldoe.org/academics/career-adult-edu/perkins/> if you are not familiar with Perkins V and the State Plan. Furthermore, each Perkins V four-year local application addressed access and equity plan for special populations in great depth.

Question #11: Under the section “Intellectual Property” where it states, “The Department shall have full and complete ownership of all software developed pursuant to the Grant/Contract”. Am I to understand if a student, students, or a class develops software (an app) that is beneficial to the community do they not have rights to what they develop?

Answer #11: Yes.

Question #12: In the criteria section six, “Dissemination Plan” the second bullet states, “The methods or strategies used to share services provided by the proposed project are innovative.” Could you please clarify this? Are current modern methods to disseminate and share information not sufficient?

Answer #12: As this is a competitive application we are unable to provide examples of “dissemination plans”

Question #13: I have a question regarding the EET grant. I was wondering if we still need actual letters of commitment for the grant? We are in the process of obtaining them, but wanted to make sure you are expecting extra attachments for these letters.

Answer #13: Please review the grant application to determine if letters of commitment are required.

Question #14: Can you share details on the new statewide community of practice event that participants will be required to attend? Is there a cost to attend? Where might it be held so we can put in for travel? How many days? We need a guesstimate so we can budget for this event.

Answer #14: At this time, it is unclear whether or not this will be an in-person event. Should an in-person event proceed as planned, travel will be paid for attendees and the event would be not more than 2 days and will likely be held in Central Florida.

