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FROM: Henry Mack, Chancellor of Career and Adult Education

TO: Adult Education Directors
District Career and Technical Education Directors
District Technical Center Directors
Florida College System Workforce Administrators

Via: Chancellor2@fldoe.org

SUBJECT: Rural Innovation Grant & Workforce Education Related Bills & Budget

Colleagues,

I have two important items to draw your attention to:

- 1) The first is the announcement of **2.4 million dollars** for our rural communities/counties. The “Rural Workforce Innovation Grant” aims to develop career & technical skill training of students enrolled in designated rural workforce programs. Please see the attached memorandum & please register for the following funding opportunities webinar for **Wednesday, July 29th at 10:30AM to 11:30AM EDT** at: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8092009064681116174>. For the audio portion of the webinar, please use the following: 1-914-614-3221. Access Code: 920-949-694.
- 2)
- 3) Secondly, this past Monday, June 29th, Governor Ron DeSantis signed the 2020-2021 Budget for a Bolder, Brighter, Better Future, totaling \$92.2 billion. More than likely, you are already familiar with its contents and the implications for your school or college. Nevertheless, we wanted to provide a summary of those *workforce education-related* budget items that were selected for funding, in addition to *workforce education-related* bills that became law. Please see the second attachment. If you have any questions, contact our workforce education legislative analyst here at the department, Brianna Garcia: Brianna.Garcia@fldoe.org.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Happy 4th!

Best,

Henry

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