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FROM: Henry Mack, Chancellor, Career and Adult Education

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

Via: Chancellor2@fldoe.org

SUBJECT: FW: Grant for Expanding Entrepreneurship Education & Training, (EET)

Colleagues & Friends,

This afternoon, the following communication was sent from Commissioner Richard Corcoran to all Florida College System Presidents and School District Superintendents. It concerns our entrepreneurship education and training initiatives. Just FYI.

Henry

From: Corcoran, Richard
Sent: Wednesday, October 7, 2020 3:26 PM
Cc: Mack, Henry <Henry.Mack@fldoe.org>
Subject: Grant for Expanding Entrepreneurship Education & Training, (EET)

Greetings Presidents & Superintendents,

Recently, the Department of Education announced a $1 million dollar grant opportunity for expanding entrepreneurship education and training (EET) within our state's career and technical education (CTE) programs. It also announced a series of engaging webinars (see here), aimed at helping faculty, staff, and community and economic development partners understand the importance of entrepreneurship education for 21st century learning. I want to invite you to apply and attend.

We know the increased demand for higher order knowledge and skills, but we also know that technically skilled talent is *not* all that matters. The rise in demand of human skills, like mental agility, flexibility, strong analytical and critical thinking,

and the capacity to be an innovator or value creator, is evident. This means our education system must return to cultivating traditional intellectual and character virtues. Within the context of CTE, this is especially important, as we strategize about how to adequately grapple with the velocity of technological change, automation, and machine and deep learning.

One of the proven ways to teach human skills within the context of CTE is entrepreneurship education. It is an engaging and remarkably successful way to cultivate traditional educational virtues. It also results in higher persistence and completion rates. Lastly, we know the moral imperative our schools and colleges face to assist in accelerating social and economic mobility; building an ecosystem of entrepreneurs, especially among those most economically disadvantaged, is surely one way to ensure for it.

Please register for one or all of the webinars and consider applying for this unique, and unprecedented grant opportunity. Florida is the only state in the nation with such a focus or emphasis on EET. For more information, please contact Chancellor Henry Mack at henry.mack@fldoe.org.

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Through our partnership with the Florida Association of Career and Technical Education (FACTE), the Florida Department of Education is pleased to announce a series of training webinars led by national experts, Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship (NFTE) and Uncharted Learning who have teamed up to develop this unique training opportunity:

9/29
Creating a Sustainable CTE Entrepreneurship Program

10/1
Creating a Sustainable CTE Entrepreneurship Program

10/6
Implementing an Entrepreneurship program of Medium Impact

10/8
Implementing an Entrepreneurship program of Medium-High Impact

10/13
Implementing an Entrepreneurship program of High Impact

10/15
Open Q&A Session

10/20
Creating a 6-12-Post Secondary Pathway Design for ongoing Entrepreneurship Opportunities

10/22
Open Q&A Session

10/27
Best Practices in RFP Writing

10/29
Open Q&A Session

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