



## Statewide Email

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**TO:** FCS Presidents  
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**SUBJECT:** GRANT OPPORTUNITY: Apprenticeship State Expansion Funding

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Through a partnership with the Florida Association for Career and Technical Education (FACTE) and CareerSource Florida, the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) is pleased to continue to support registered apprenticeship program growth and expansion with the announcement of the federally funded **Apprenticeship State Expansion (ASE) Grant**. We are pleased to inform you that grant information is now posted on the [Apprentice Florida](#) website.

These federal ASE Grant funds, in conjunction with the recently awarded state appropriated Pathways to Career Opportunities Grant Program, aim to expand existing registered apprenticeship programs. The grant funds support Florida's goal to become number one in workforce education by 2030.

To these ends, the ASE Grant will support two mini-grant initiatives, the first of which is the ASE "Program Grant", which consists of \$320,000 in funding, available in awards of up to \$20,000 each, for eligible registered apprenticeship programs.

- Programs must have a registration date on or after July 1, 2019 or have expanded into a new occupation during this timeframe and at the time of application be actively training apprentices in programs fully registered with the Florida Department of Education.
- All application materials are posted on the Apprentice Florida website: <https://grants.apprenticeflorida.com/>
- **April 19, 2021:** [ASE program Grant Application Overview and Requirements Webinar Registration](#)
- **April 29, 2021:** deadline for eligible registered apprenticeship programs to submit a request for proposal.

Information on the second ASE mini-grant initiative will be available soon; it will be inclusive of a larger pool of the registered apprenticeship community. Interested parties are invited to

register for the Grant Application Overview and Requirements Webinar for the first mini-grant, aimed at eligible registered apprenticeship programs, at the following link:

<a href="#">Grant Application Overview and Requirements Webinar: Program Grant</a>	<b>April 19, 2021</b> 2:00 pm EDT
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After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with instructions about joining the webinar.

For additional information about this grant opportunity, please review the information on the Apprentice Florida website or contact Robin Queen by email at [ASEGrant1@FACTE.org](mailto:ASEGrant1@FACTE.org) or by phone at 850-245-9076.

To ensure that all eligible applicants have access to the questions and answers, this information will be posted. The last date that questions will be answered is April 21, 2021. Answers to frequently asked questions will be posted to the [Apprentice Florida](#) website.

Thank you,

Henry

**Henry Mack**  
Chancellor