



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Request for Concept Paper

Bureau / Office

Division of Community Colleges and Workforce Education

Title

SUCCEED, Florida! Crucial Professionals/Critical Jobs

Specific Funding Authority(ies)

Pending state appropriation from the 2006 Legislature for **SUCCEED, Florida! Crucial Professionals/Critical Jobs grants.**

Funding Purpose

The Legislature recognizes the need for technical centers and colleges to respond to emerging local or statewide economic development needs are critical to Florida's economy. The **SUCCEED, Florida! Crucial Professionals/Critical Jobs** was created to provide grants to public and private schools and colleges to fund some or all of the costs associated with the **creation or the expansion of programs that serve specific employment workforce needs.**

Funds awarded for these grants may be used for instructional equipment, laboratory equipment, supplies, personnel, student services, or other non-recurring expenses associated with the creation or expansion of a program. Expansion of a program may include either the expansion of enrollments in a program or expansion into new areas of specialization within a program.

Funds for this grant have been requested in the 2006 - 2007 Department of Education Legislative Budget Request.

Applications from public and private schools and community colleges shall contain projected enrollments and projected costs per unit for the new or expanded program.

If funds were received in 2005 – 2006 through a SUCCEED, Florida! grant or a Jobs for Florida's Future grant, a concept paper may be submitted for a continuation grant.

Projects will focus on one or more of the following:

- Training people to enter high-skill, high-wage or high-demand (high demand as identified by local labor market needs) occupations.
- Programs that provide competency-based teacher training for

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> baccalaureate degree holders • Programs in allied health or nursing • Programs that train for occupations within Enterprise Florida's key economic development sector initiatives: Life Sciences (including Biotechnology, Medical Device Manufacturing, Pharmaceuticals, Health Care), Information Technology (including IT Products/Services, Software Development, Modeling/Simulation/Training, Photonics/Lasers/Optics, Microelectronics, Telecommunications), Aviation / Aerospace, Homeland Security / Defense, Financial / Professional Services or Manufacturing • Programs that train in targeted occupations to improve economic development in Florida's rural communities.
Target Population	Postsecondary students enrolled in school district technical centers, community colleges or non-public postsecondary institutions.
Eligible Applicants	Florida School District Technical Centers, Florida Community Colleges, Non-public Postsecondary Institutions.
Concept Paper Due Date	Received at the Department of Education via e-mail by close of business February 8, 2006.
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Total Funding Amount	Discretion of the 2006 Florida Legislature
Funding Guidelines	An eligible applicant may submit up to five (5) concept papers including both new and continuation projects. The total request for all projects should not exceed \$1,000,000.
Concept Paper Guidelines – New Projects	<p>An eligible Florida school district technical center, Florida community college, or non-public institution may submit up to five (5) concept papers including requests for continuation funding of prior year's SUCCEED, Florida or Jobs for Florida's Future grants. The concept papers must be prioritized with the institution's top priority being number one.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concept paper narrative should be no more than three (3) pages typed in 12-point font with double spacing • Project description including number of new students to be served and the cost per unit • Targeted student information • Identification of collaborative partnerships for developing and implementing the project • Description of the workforce development impact

Concept Paper Guidelines – Continuation Projects

- Business and industry impact

An eligible Florida school district technical center, Florida community college, or non-public institution may submit up to five (5) concept papers including requests for continuation funding of prior year's SUCCEED, Florida or Jobs for Florida's Future grants. The concept papers must be prioritized with the institution's top priority being number one.

- Concept paper narrative should be no more than three (3) pages typed in 12-point font with double spacing
- Project description including a summary of project progress to date
- Description of additional resources required to fully implement the project and the need for these resources

Budget Information

Completion of Projected Enrollments, Performances, and Expenditures Chart which includes calculation of cost per enrollment and cost per completer.

Budget Period

July 1, 2006 – May 31, 2007

Conditions for Acceptance

Concept paper must include the following

1. Application received via e-mail by the due date. Completed application includes

- Project Summary Form
- Concept Paper narrative (3 page maximum)

Other requirements:

2. Projected Enrollments, Performances, and Expenditures Chart – Credit Hour Programs, Colleges Only
3. Projected Enrollments, Performances, and Expenditures Chart – Clock Hour Programs, Colleges and School Districts

Please note that the following required forms are available on the web site as Excel documents at: <http://www.firn.edu/doe/dwdgrants/grants.htm>

- Project Summary – Concept Paper for Fiscal Year 2006-07
- Projected Enrollments, Performances, and Expenditures Chart – Credit Hrs. – Colleges Only
- Projected Enrollments, Performances, and Expenditures Chart – Clock Hrs. – Colleges and School District