

Thomasville City Schools
Application for Career and Technical Education (CTE) State/Federal
Funding
Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Executive Summary

PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATION: The Career and Technical Education Local Application System has been developed in compliance with Perkins V-The Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act. The Local Application serves as the district's planning document and application for CTE state/federal funding. The completion and approval of the Local Application also serves as a compliance document, which meets all requirements of Perkins.

In Spring 2019, a two-year CTE Local Application was submitted by Thomasville City Schools. That plan was approved for 2020-2022. As preparations begin for year two of the application, sections V & VI will need to be completed with new budget information, assurances/certifications and signature page. This application must be submitted to the Department of Public Instruction in order to receive and use state and federal funds for career and technical education programs and services in grades 6-12 for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. The application describes the manner in which we propose to use these funds in accord with the purposes mandated by state and federal legislation.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES OFFERED THROUGH THESE FUNDS: Career and Technical Education (CTE) is conducted at Thomasville Middle School and Thomasville High School in Thomasville City Schools. Supporting Thomasville City Schools strong academic foundation is a diverse career and technical curriculum in which students are provided opportunities to make classroom instruction relevant to real world situations. Thomasville City Schools career and technical education courses provide students with a variety of options to fulfill the requirements for Future-Ready, Occupational Course of Study, and the North Carolina Academic Scholars. Student credentialing and certification opportunities as well as work-based learning opportunities are available in selected program areas. The ultimate goal of CTE is for Thomasville High School graduates to become successful in a career and contributing members in society. CTE serves Thomasville Middle School students with career exploratory, business, family and consumer science and technology programs. CTE offers a myriad of high school course offerings in seven career pathways. Included in the course offerings supported by the Golden LEAF Grant we will continue offering opportunities for our students through the Advanced Manufacturing Program to meet industry and workforce development needs in our area. Expanded CTE course experiences will continue to be offered at the middle school through the Paxton Patterson Career Ready labs. We will continue to expand our partnership with Davidson-Davie Community College through various partnership initiatives along with our Career and College Promise program. Articulation agreements exist between Thomasville City Schools and Davidson-Davie

Community College that allow certain high school Career and Technical Education courses to also qualify for college credit.

PROJECTED ACTIVITIES AND PRIORITIES: The major thrusts for CTE in Thomasville City Schools include providing appropriate career pathway opportunities; offering credentialing for students and staff; developing work-based learning opportunities utilizing the resources of our Business Advisory Committee; and supporting career and college readiness. A major priority is the continuous work on the development and implementation of the Academy of Advanced Manufacturing and Design Innovation course offerings resulting in work-based learning, internship and apprenticeship opportunities for students at Thomasville High School. Other priorities include engaging students through our Paxton Patterson Career Ready labs and Project Lead the Way labs at the middle school to form a pipeline to the high school pathway programs. We will also be working to improve our performance relative to all state Performance Indicators adopted for career and technical education programs by the NC State Board of Education. We will continue to provide opportunities for professional growth for CTE staff and encourage and support National Board certification. Career and Technical Education will continue to support the Thomasville City Schools Strategic Plan in our pursuit of excellence. During the 2021-2022 school year, we plan to continue our partnership with neighboring school systems and Workforce Development Board. These activities and priorities will support the mission of CTE, which is to help empower students to be successful citizens, workers and leaders in a global economy.

All programs, services, and activities administered through this local plan will be in accord with the assurances listed in Part VI, Assurances and Certification, of this application.

The plan in its entirety may be found at:

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