

Perkins V State Plan Open For Public Comment

The California State Board of Education (SBE), the California Department of Education (CDE), and the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) is seeking feedback from the public on the Draft California Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V) State Plan, which was approved for public feedback by the California Workforce Pathways Joint Advisory Committee (CWPJAC) at their November 25, 2019 meeting.

Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V) was signed into law on July 31, 2018. This bipartisan measure reauthorized the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 and continued Congress' commitment in providing nearly \$1.3 billion annually for career and technical education (CTE) programs for our nation's youth and adults.

- California receives approximately \$127 million annually to support CTE programs and pathways.
- This year, the San Diego and Imperial County Community Colleges received approximately \$5.9 Million in Perkins funding to support local Career Education programs. Last year, the community colleges in the region received \$5.4 million.

The public feedback window for the Draft California Perkins V State Plan opened on December 2, 2019, and closes on January 3, 2020.

The state plan provides guidance and direction for local Perkins funding distribution, use, and reporting. All feedback received by 5:00 p.m. on January 3, 2020 will receive a written response as part of the final federal application. Public comments received will be used to finalize the Federal Application for Perkins V, as well as inform the future development of the State Plan for CTE.

The California Federal Application for Perkins V is due to the United States Department of Education, Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education on April 15, 2020.

- Give Feedback on the Plan: <https://www.wested.org/perkinsplanfeedback/>
- Draft Plan: <https://www.wested.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Draft-Perkins-V-Plan-11-27-19.pdf>
- Power Point Overview: https://www.wested.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Public-Feedback-Slides-December-2019_web_final.pptx

Additional information can be found on the CWPJAC's webpage at: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/ct/qi/workpathjac.asp>.