

THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT OF 1979 (EXCERPT)
Act 94 of 1979

***** 388.1699cc.added THIS ADDED SECTION IS EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022 *****

388.1699cc.added NAF academies; partnership grant program.

Sec. 99cc. (1) From the state school aid fund money appropriated in section 11, there is allocated for 2022-2023 only an amount not to exceed \$253,000.00 for competitive grants to eligible districts and eligible intermediate districts to provide pupils in grades 9 to 12 with expanded opportunities through programs for work-based learning that are hosted in partnership with NAF. It is the intent of the legislature that the programs described in this subsection increase the number of pupils who are college- and career-ready after high school graduation.

(2) To receive grant funding under this section, a district or intermediate district must apply for the grant in a form and manner prescribed by the department.

(3) A district or intermediate district that meets all of the following is an eligible district or eligible intermediate district under this section:

(a) It has an established partnership with NAF.

(b) As part of its partnership described in subdivision (a), it implements an advisory board that includes at least 1 business entity.

(c) As part of its partnership described in subdivision (a), it implements an advisory board that includes an institution of higher education or a technical school.

(d) In its application described in subsection (2), it submits a spending plan for its intended spending of funding under this section.

(4) The department shall prioritize awarding grant funding under this section to eligible districts and eligible intermediate districts that demonstrate partnership with local businesses that target disciplines that have been identified as critical shortage disciplines by the superintendent of public instruction under section 61 of the public school employees retirement act of 1979, 1980 PA 300, MCL 38.1361.

(5) The department shall award grant funding under this section as follows:

(a) In an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00 to each eligible district or eligible intermediate district to be used for purposes of planning in carrying out the programs described in subsection (1).

(b) An amount not to exceed \$3,500.00 to each eligible district or eligible intermediate district to be used toward expenses related to the partnership described in subsection (3)(a).

(6) Notwithstanding section 17b, the department shall make payments under this section on a schedule determined by the department.

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