



Perkins Reserve Grants can provide up to \$50,000 to support an innovative idea for your CTE program

2026 grant awards will be dedicated toward supporting 3 high need areas:

Special Populations

How can you support and bridge the gap for:

- English learners
- Students on IEPs or 504 plans
- Economically disadvantaged students
- Single parent students or students caring for siblings
- Foster youth
- Homeless youth
- Students with transportation concerns

Industrial Alignment

- How can you enhance the current program with equipment industry is using right now?
- What strategies and tools are industry using for their employees?
- What are the Tech Colleges implementing?

Innovative Delivery

- Work-based learning opportunities (summer, remote, etc.)
- Solutions to overcome workforce desert challenges
- Remote CTE Instruction
- Collaboration across secondary and postsecondary levels
- Collaboration between districts
- Industry engagement

Applications will be available at doe.sd.gov/cte/perkins.aspx. Application deadline January.

Grant amounts may range from \$10,000 to \$50,000. Both new and existing CTE programs are eligible to apply for grants. Must follow Perkins guidelines and allowable costs, using Perkins funds to support CTE programs, CANNOT be used for salaries & benefits; capital investments; consumables; consumables; purchases that become the property of any individual or organization other than the eligible recipient; or purchases or services beyond the project outcomes or activities. Be prepared to indicate if you are focusing on Special Populations, Industrial Alignment, or Innovative Delivery when submitting a proposal.