Introduction
Federal Carl D. Perkins funding is intended to be expended on costs associated with preparing students for high-wage, high-growth occupations and to support links between secondary and post-secondary education, industry, and community partners.

Orleans Parish charter schools can elect to be part of the Orleans Parish Carl Perkins Consortium. Participation in the Consortium requires active opt-in. The Orleans Parish Carl Perkins Consortium is guided by a review committee made up of members from the Orleans Parish School Board (OPSB), economic development partners, and YouthForce NOLA. YouthForce NOLA also acts as the fiscal agent for the grant.

The Orleans Parish Carl Perkins Consortium Review Committee has released this Request for Budgets & Plans for Carl D. Perkins funding for the 2019-2020 school year. In 2019-2020, Carl D. Perkins funding will be specifically utilized to support participating schools to develop and implement career pathways programs of study and to expand programming that culminates in students’ earning basic and advanced statewide industry-recognized, and industry-based, credentials (IBCs). Supported programs must focus on at least one high-wage, high-demand career pathway program of study that culminates in students’ ability to earn a statewide basic or advanced credential. In Orleans, the approved Perkins priority skill clusters (aka career clusters) are: skilled crafts, digital media/IT, and health sciences.

Allocation Information
Funds to be released: All grant funding will be allocated by the fiscal agent, as per the Review Committee and based on schools’ CTE course enrollment, and reimbursed quarterly. Ninety-five percent (95%) of awarded funding is available for reimbursement during the 2019-2020 school year.

Data and Budget Submission Timeline
Available: June 11, 2019
Deadline: June 19, 2019
Award Notification: by August 31, 2019
Project Period: A total of twelve months from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020
Reporting and reimbursements: Quarterly

Grant Submission Information
Submission: Submit the following documents via email to PerkinsConsortium@youthforcenola.org.

In the body of your email, state the names, title, and contact information (phone and email) of your Perkins grant manager(s).

Attachments:
• Planned CTE course enrollment for the 2019-20 school year, including CDF-qualifying courses that lead to a statewide industry-based credential, as well as Quest for Success (template attached)
• CATE Core Indicator Report
  o Instructions for accessing and downloading CATE data can be found here
• Budget document and budget narrative (template attached)
• Executed Perkins Consortium agreement (attached; if not already submitted)

The initial submission deadline is 5 p.m. Central Standard Time on Wednesday, June 19, 2019.