

STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES
Allocation for Finish Line Grants
July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

Request: The State Board of Community Colleges is requested to approve the allocation of \$2,250,000 to support the Finish Line Grants program. This will include a minimum of \$1,500,000 for emergency grants for students. An additional \$750,000 is available for use as emergency grants or for the following purposes at the state or college level: (a) \$250,000 to support student outreach and marketing, (b) \$488,750 for student outreach, marketing, program implementation and grant administration, and (c) \$11,250 administrative costs.

Strategic Plan Reference: Goal 3: Student Success

Provide resources inside and outside the classroom for all students to successfully enroll, persist, and complete education or training in a chosen career path.

Strategy: 3.3.1

Background: The Finish Line Grant program provides community college students that are 50% of the way to completing a credential with emergency aid up to \$1,000 per semester for an unanticipated financial hardship. At the August 19, 2022 State Board meeting, the Board approved the transition of this program from the Department of Commerce to the Community College System and college allocations (FC 02). The use of Finish Line Grant Administrative funds was approved at the February 17, 2023 State Board meeting (FC 08).

Rationale: The Governor's Office has awarded \$2,250,000 for the second year of the program from the Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools (EANS II) for the Finish Line Grant Program. A minimum of \$1,500,000 will be used for emergency financial assistance for eligible students. To be eligible students must be enrolled in a North Carolina community college, in good academic standing as defined by the college, and have completed at least 50% of their degree or credential program. These grants may help cover costs such as transportation, childcare or dependent care, housing assistance, utility bills (including internet), medical needs, accommodations for individuals with disabilities, and assistance with tuition, fees, or books. Using a slightly different method than the previous allocation, each community college will receive a budgeted award of \$20,000 base, funding based on 2022-23 budget FTE, and funding based on previous spending rate for a total allocation of \$1,500,000. If a college does not participate in the program or projects unexpended funds, their available funds will be redistributed to participating colleges.

Of the \$750,000 the system office requests to retain up to \$70,000 to effectively administer this program consistent with federal cost principles in 2 C.F.R. part 200, subpart E of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). These funds will be used to support the current time-limited temporary position to serve as Finish Line Grant program administrator at the System Office. System office staff will work with colleges to determine remaining funds for student outreach, marketing,

program implementation and grant administration. Remaining allocations will follow required approval processes per 1H SBCCC 200.1.

Table 1: Recommended Finish Line Grant College Allocations

College	Base	2022-23 CU BFTE	2022-23 Expense Rate	Total Allocation
Alamance CC	\$20,000	\$3,185	\$478	\$23,663
Asheville-Buncombe TCC	\$20,000	\$4,813	\$7,396	\$32,209
Beaufort County CC	\$20,000	\$1,335	\$ -	\$21,335
Bladen CC	\$20,000	\$1,049	\$4,334	\$25,383
Blue Ridge CC	\$20,000	\$2,045	\$672	\$22,717
Brunswick CC	\$20,000	\$1,347	\$1,162	\$22,509
Caldwell CC & TI	\$20,000	\$2,982	\$889	\$23,871
Cape Fear CC	\$20,000	\$7,237	\$9,963	\$37,200
Carteret CC	\$20,000	\$1,412	\$2,337	\$23,749
Catawba Valley CC	\$20,000	\$3,467	\$499	\$23,966
Central Carolina CC	\$20,000	\$4,009	\$1,270	\$25,279
Central Piedmont CC	\$20,000	\$13,935	\$9,513	\$43,448
Cleveland CC	\$20,000	\$2,187	\$ -	\$22,187
Coastal Carolina CC	\$20,000	\$3,232	\$1,609	\$24,841
College of The Albemarle	\$20,000	\$1,963	\$2,200	\$24,163
Craven CC	\$20,000	\$2,241	\$2,109	\$24,350
Davidson-Davie CC	\$20,000	\$3,027	\$4,096	\$27,123
Durham TCC	\$20,000	\$3,835	\$7,731	\$31,566
Edgecombe CC	\$20,000	\$1,323	\$586	\$21,909
Fayetteville TCC	\$20,000	\$8,593	\$4,487	\$33,080
Forsyth TCC	\$20,000	\$6,319	\$4,710	\$31,029
Gaston College	\$20,000	\$3,955	\$425	\$24,380
Guilford TCC	\$20,000	\$8,410	\$640	\$29,050
Halifax CC	\$20,000	\$749	\$ -	\$20,749
Haywood CC	\$20,000	\$1,120	\$3,404	\$24,524
Isothermal CC	\$20,000	\$1,711	\$13,888	\$35,599
James Sprunt CC	\$20,000	\$1,112	\$10,519	\$31,631
Johnston CC	\$20,000	\$3,270	\$2,892	\$26,162
Lenoir CC	\$20,000	\$2,021	\$8,684	\$30,705
Martin CC	\$20,000	\$615	\$ -	\$20,615
Mayland CC	\$20,000	\$637	\$666	\$21,303
McDowell TCC	\$20,000	\$930	\$ -	\$20,930
Mitchell CC	\$20,000	\$2,206	\$455	\$22,661

Montgomery CC	\$20,000	\$705	\$1,817	\$22,522
Nash CC	\$20,000	\$2,092	\$ -	\$22,092
Pamlico CC	\$20,000	\$302	\$1,091	\$21,393
Piedmont CC	\$20,000	\$948	\$2,858	\$23,806
Pitt CC	\$20,000	\$6,195	\$3,491	\$29,686
Randolph CC	\$20,000	\$1,952	\$923	\$22,875
Richmond CC	\$20,000	\$1,775	\$5,691	\$27,466
Roanoke-Chowan CC	\$20,000	\$463	\$23,949	\$44,412
Robeson CC	\$20,000	\$1,717	\$1,028	\$22,745
Rockingham CC	\$20,000	\$1,326	\$585	\$21,911
Rowan-Cabarrus CC	\$20,000	\$4,862	\$3,577	\$28,439
Sampson CC	\$20,000	\$1,517	\$ -	\$21,517
Sandhills CC	\$20,000	\$3,154	\$ -	\$23,154
South Piedmont CC	\$20,000	\$2,044	\$ -	\$22,044
Southeastern CC	\$20,000	\$1,080	\$898	\$21,978
Southwestern CC	\$20,000	\$1,882	\$6,281	\$28,163
Stanly CC	\$20,000	\$1,783	\$2,741	\$24,524
Surry CC	\$20,000	\$2,325	\$2,069	\$24,394
Tri-County CC	\$20,000	\$896	\$1,165	\$22,061
Vance-Granville CC	\$20,000	\$2,176	\$229	\$22,405
Wake TCC	\$20,000	\$17,167	\$ -	\$37,167
Wayne CC	\$20,000	\$2,521	\$ -	\$22,521
Western Piedmont CC	\$20,000	\$1,525	\$912	\$22,437
Wilkes CC	\$20,000	\$1,969	\$3,081	\$25,050
Wilson CC	\$20,000	\$1,352	\$ -	\$21,352
TOTALS	\$1,160,000	\$170,000	\$170,000	\$1,500,000

Fund Source and Availability: Funding is contingent upon the award and signed NCPRO agreement of Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools (EANS II) funds of \$2,250,000. The award period is July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

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