

STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES
Revised Allocation for NC Career Coach Program
FY 2019-20, FY 2020-21, and FY 2021-22

Request: In accordance with Senate Bill 61, enacted as Session Law 2019-235 on November 1, 2019, the State Board of Community Colleges is requested to approve a revision to the November 16, 2018 (FC08) allocation of \$2,137,428 by adding \$1,215,168 resulting in \$3,352,596 for each fiscal year 2019-20, 2020-21, and 2021-22 for salary, benefits, and travel expenses of Career Coaches. Funding will be adjusted as appropriate for legislative salary and benefits rate increases.

Background: G.S. 115D-21.5 establishes the NC Career Coach program placing community college career coaches in high schools to assist students with determining career goals and identifying community college programs that enable students to achieve these goals. Further, legislation requires that an advisory committee, including representatives from the North Carolina Community College System, the Department of Public Instruction, the Department of Commerce, and at least three representatives of the business community, review applications and make recommendations for funding awards to the State Board of Community Colleges. Lastly, legislation mandates an annual report to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee. The October 1, 2019, report (PROG 04) identified the “matching requirement” of non-state funds as a barrier to success. The General Assembly responded with legislation, which adjusts the matching requirement based on county tiers.

Rationale: Effective July 1, 2019, G.S. 115D-21.5(c) (specific subsection below) was amended to adjust the matching formula based on the 2019 county tiers where the LEA is located. Table 1 outlines the revised allocations.

- “b. Evidence that the funding request will be matched dollar-for-dollar with local funds in accordance with the following:
1. Matching funds may come from public or private sources.
 2. The match amount shall be determined based on the development tier designation of the county in which the local school administrative unit is located where the career coach is assigned on the date of the award of funds by the State Board of Community Colleges according to the following:
 - I. If located in a tier one county as defined in G.S. 143B-437.08, no local match shall be required.
 - II. If located in a tier two county as defined in G.S. 143B-437.08, one dollar (\$1.00) of local funds for every two dollars (\$2.00) in State funds shall be required.
 - III. If located in a tier three county as defined in G.S. 143B-437.08, one dollar (\$1.00) of local funds for every one dollar (\$1.00) in State funds shall be required.”

Table 1: Revised Allocations for FY 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22

College	# of Coaches	LEA County	LEA Tier 2019	Original Allocation	Increase Needed	Revised Allocation
Alamance	2	Alamance	Tier 2	79,164	39,582	118,746
Bladen	1	Bladen	Tier 1	39,582	39,582	79,164
Blue Ridge	3	Transylvania	Tier 2	118,746	59,373	178,119
Brunswick	2	Brunswick	Tier 3	79,164	0	79,164
Caldwell	4	Caldwell	Tier 2	158,328	79,164	237,492
Central Carolina	1	Chatham	Tier 3	39,582	0	39,582
Central Carolina	2	Harnett, Lee	Tier 2	79,164	39,582	118,746
Cleveland	3	Cleveland	Tier 1	118,746	118,746	237,492
Durham	1	Orange	Tier 3	39,582	0	39,582
Edgecombe	2	Edgecombe	Tier 1	79,164	79,164	158,328
Forsyth	4	Forsyth	Tier 2	158,328	79,164	237,492
Gaston	1	Lincoln	Tier 3	39,582	0	39,582
Gaston	1	Gaston	Tier 2	39,582	19,791	59,373
Halifax	1	Halifax	Tier 1	39,582	39,582	79,164
Haywood	2	Haywood	Tier 3	79,164	0	79,164
Isothermal	1	Rutherford	Tier 1	39,582	39,582	79,164
Lenoir	2	Greene, Lenoir	Tier 1	79,164	79,164	158,328
McDowell	1	McDowell	Tier 2	39,582	19,791	59,373
Nash	2	Nash	Tier 1	79,164	79,164	158,328
Piedmont	1	Person	Tier 2	39,582	19,791	59,373
Piedmont	1	Caswell	Tier 1	39,582	39,582	79,164
Pitt	3	Pitt	Tier 2	118,746	59,373	178,119
Randolph	3	Randolph	Tier 2	118,746	59,373	178,119
Rockingham	1	Rockingham	Tier 1	39,582	39,582	79,164
Rowan-Cabarrus	3	Rowan	Tier 2	118,746	59,373	178,119
South Piedmont	1	Union	Tier 3	39,582	0	39,582
Southeastern	1	Columbus	Tier 1	39,582	39,582	79,164
Vance-Granville	0.6	Granville	Tier 2	23,749	11,875	35,624
Vance-Granville	0.4	Warren	Tier 1	15,833	15,833	31,666
Western Piedmont	3	Burke	Tier 2	118,746	59,373	178,119
Total	54			2,137,428	1,215,168	3,352,596

Fund Source and Availability: FY 2019-20, FY 2020-21, and FY 2021-22 allocations are contingent upon State General Fund appropriation and adjusted by any legislative action.

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