

**Date of Board Meeting:** November 18, 2025

**Subject:** Federal funding from the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006

**Recommendation:** Approve receipt of Federal funding from the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 in the amount of \$167,207

**Background and Rationale:** Wharton County Junior College will allocate funds to strengthen the quality of Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs and improve outcomes for CTE students, including those from special populations. To enhance student achievement and expand equitable access to workforce education, funding will be allocated to the following strategies:

- Provide targeted support for CTE special population students, including underrepresented gender groups in nontraditional programs, to reduce financial barriers related to testing, licensure, transportation, or childcare.
- Support the purchase of equipment and instructional materials aligned with current industry standards to maintain program relevance and workforce readiness.
- Strengthen faculty professional development and industry engagement through specialized training and credentialing opportunities.
- Expand collaboration with local ISDs to align CTE dual credit offerings with labor market needs and increase early student awareness of high-skill, high-wage career pathways.

**Budgetary Implications:** \$167,207; No cost to the College. Grant funds will be deposited for expenditure from the Current Restricted Fund.

**Strategic Priority Alignment:**

☒ Student Success

☐ Community Impact

☐ Resource Optimization

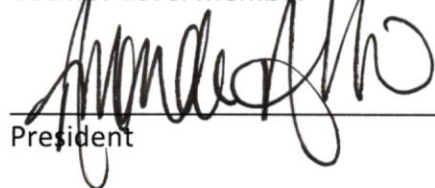
☐ Institutional Excellence

**Resource Personnel:** Evett Hamlin, Coordinator of Vocational Support Services

**Approval:**

**Leigh Ann Collins** Digitally signed by Leigh Ann Collins  
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