Dear County and District Superintendents and Charter School Administrators:

CALIFORNIA CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION INCENTIVE GRANT REQUEST FOR NEW APPLICATIONS 2016–18

The California Department of Education (CDE) is pleased to announce the application availability for funds under the California Career Technical Education Incentive Grant (CTEIG) for new or previously denied applicants of the 2015–17 round of funding. Part I of the application is now available. The CTEIG is established as a state education, economic, and workforce development initiative with the goal of providing pupils in kindergarten through grade twelve with the knowledge and skills necessary to transition to employment and postsecondary education. The purpose of this program is to encourage and maintain the delivery of career technical education programs during implementation of the school district and charter school local control funding formula pursuant to California Education Code Section 42238.02. The 2015 State Budget Act provides funds for the CTEIG in the following amounts:

1. $300 million for the 2016–17 fiscal year.
2. $200 million for the 2017–18 fiscal year.

These amounts will be appropriated in three categories based upon 2015–16 second principal apportionment average daily attendance for pupils in grades seven through twelve, inclusive:

1. 0–140
2. 141–550
3. 551 and above

For any applicant consisting of more than one school district, county office of education (COE), charter school, or regional occupational center or program (ROCP) operated by a joint powers authority (JPA) or of any combination of those entities, the sum of the average daily attendance for each of the constituent entities shall be used for purposes of this subdivision.
The Request for New Applications (RFA) documents for this grant is on the CDE Funding Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/af/. The RFA describes the required elements and contains instructions for applying for funding.

Eligible grant recipients may consist of one or more (or any combination) of the following:

(a) School districts

(b) COEs

(c) Charter schools

(d) ROCPs operated by JPAs, provided that the application has the written consent of each participating local educational agency (LEA)

LEAs planning to submit an application for the CTEIG are required to complete Part I of the CTEIG Application by July 22, 2016. Part I of the application must be submitted via the Program Grant Management System (PGMS) Web page at http://www3.cde.ca.gov/pgms/logon.aspx. Upon the completion of the CTEIG Application Part I, grantee eligibility will be verified and a user name and password will be sent to the CTEIG Administrator as identified in the CTEIG Application Part I. Part II of the application will be available via the PGMS on July 22, 2016, and will be due August 24, 2016.

If you have any questions, please contact Carolyn Zachry, Education Administrator, Career Technical Education Administration and Management Office, by phone at 916-324-5706 or by e-mail at CTEincentive@cde.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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