

ARKANSAS CAREER COACH GRANT APPLICATION FOR AY/FY 2022

I. Funding Opportunity Description

Purpose of Program: The Arkansas College and Career Coach program is designed to motivate and support Arkansas students achieve their goals as it relates to college and career planning. Students in grades 5 – 12 qualify for services from a Career Coach. The Arkansas College and Career Coach program provides assistance and information for resources in the areas of academic tutoring, career counseling, mentoring, financial guidance, and other supports necessary for postsecondary education/training access, retention, and success.

Structure of Program: College and Career Coaches are co-located at an institution of higher education, education cooperative or non-profit organization. They provide their services directly to students in middle and high school through their on-campus placement.

Qualifications of Career Coach: Individuals, who hold a least a bachelor's degree and Facilitating Career Development (FCD) credential, may be employed as a Career Coach. If the desired individual does not hold a FCD credential, they may be employed under condition of obtaining certification within a year of employment.

Funding Period: Returning Applicants Up to 12 months (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022); New Applicants Up to 9 months (October 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022)

All funding amounts requested in grant applications are contingent upon availability and appropriation funds.

II. Applicant Information

Eligible Applicant: The institution of higher education; education cooperative; or non-profit organization should submit one grant request to include all desired school districts to be served. The applicant will be considered the host site and responsible for local management (administrative and financial), in partnership with the school district administration, of the Career Coach program.

III. Submission Information

Submission Dates and Times: **Deadline for Transmittal of New Applications: Returning Applicants – Friday, May 21 by 4:00pm; (EXTENDED FOR NEW APPLICANTS ONLY) - Friday, July 23, 2021 by 4:00pm.**

Application materials can be found at <https://dcte.ade.arkansas.gov/Page/CareerCoachProgram>.

Submission Portal Link: <https://acearkansas.wufoo.com/forms/z1s4tvvgq06rpcre/>

Grant Writing Training Video for New Applicants: <https://youtu.be/aly34xeWngE>