



AGENDA

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS) BOARD

March 11-12, 2025

**Madison Area Technical College
Truax Campus – 1701 Wright Street
Madison, WI 53704**

Tuesday, March 11, 2025

Location: Room D1630

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Motion to Recess until Wednesday, March 12, 2025

Following completion of the Tuesday agenda, Board members and invited guests will attend dinner at Madison College. No official business will be conducted.

If you require accommodations to observe the meeting, please contact Julie Drake at julie.drake@wtcsystem.edu or at 608-267-9066.



AGENDA OF THE WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS) BOARD

Wednesday, March 12, 2025

Location: Room D1630

Breakfast will be available for Board members and invited guests at 8:00 am in Room D1630. No official business will be conducted.

8:30 am

Madison College Presentation and Tour

9:30 am

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Lunch will be available for Board members and invited guests. No official business will be conducted.

If you wish to listen during the meeting, please contact Julie Drake at julie.drake@wtcsystem.edu or at 608-267-9066 to obtain instructions on how to join the call.

ITEM A: APPROVAL OF JANUARY 21, 2025, MEETING MINUTES

Board President Mark Tyler

ITEM B: REPORT OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Board President Mark Tyler

- Board of Regents Report

ITEM C: REPORT OF THE SYSTEM PRESIDENT

WTCS System President Layla Merrifield

ITEM D: TEACHING & LEARNING – THE ART OF ARTICULATING TRANSFER PATHWAYS INTO OPPORTUNITIES AND CAREERS

WTCS Provost & Vice President Dr. Colleen McCabe and Associate Vice President Office of Instructional Services Chrystal Seeley-Schreck

Madison Area Technical College Associate Vice President of Advising, Career, Employment and Transfer Services Gretchen Rixie; Transfer Center and Services Director Yohlunda Mosley Hill; Transfer Faculty and Student Speakers

The Wisconsin Technical College System Office will provide an overview of the articulation process, emphasizing its importance, defining types of educational agreements and discussing the development and oversight of these agreements at the System level. This will be followed by insights from Madison College on their many transfer pathways, specifically highlighting those, supported by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute Inclusive Excellence National Science Foundation Grant, aimed at creating flexible pathways to Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) degrees for 2- to 4-year transfer students in Wisconsin.

ITEM E: WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARDS ASSOCIATION

Association President Chuck Bolstad and Executive Director Diane Handrick

Chuck Bolstad, Southwest Wisconsin Technical College trustee and current president, and Executive Director Diane Handrick will provide the Board with an overview of recent Association activities.

ITEM F: WTCS PRESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Association President Dr. Richard Barnhouse

Dr. Richard Barnhouse, president of Waukesha County Technical College and current Association president, will provide the Board with an overview of recent Association activities.

ITEM G: CONSENT AGENDA

WTCS Associate Vice President of Instruction Chrystal Seeley-Schreck

WTCS Director of Facilities Development Dan Scanlon

WTCS Policy Advisor Brandon Trujillo

- Program Development
- Facilities Development
- Interim District Board Appointment

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Authority for the initiation and development of programs is vested with the Wisconsin Technical College System Board as provided under s. 38.001(1m), Wis. Stats.

CONCEPT REVIEW

During the Concept Review phase for occupational programs, the district provides information on local labor market demand and employment trends. In addition, the district provides a summary of discussions with other districts which offer the same or a similar program. The results of Ad Hoc Advisory Committee discussions are shared and District Board approval is documented. Approval of the Concept Review does not authorize the district to offer the program. Approval of the Concept Review does allow the district to proceed with compiling and documenting information required in the next and final stage of the approval process.

The information, analyses and documentation submitted in the Concept Review phase are reviewed by System Office staff for adequacy. The following Concept Reviews are recommended for approval. Board approval of the following Concept Reviews will initiate the Program Approval phase.

<u>College</u>	<u>Program Title</u>
Mid-State Technical College	Advanced Meat Cutting & Butchering Less-Than-One Year Technical Diploma
Moraine Park Technical College	Artificial Intelligence Data Specialist Associate of Applied Science Degree
Southwest Wisconsin Technical College	Automation Systems Technology Associate of Applied Science Degree

Concept Review – Requested by: Mid-State Technical College

Program Title: Advanced Meat Cutting & Butchering

Program Description: The Advanced Meat Cutting & Butchering Less-Than-One Year Technical Diploma prepares students to receive, cut and package meat products in commercial establishments with a focus on advanced knife skills, processing, and food safety and sanitation regulations. Graduates are employed as licensed meat cutters/butchers.

Demonstration of Program Need: Mid-State Technical College demonstrated program need through a variety of sources including labor market information, advisory committee support and an employer survey.

Summary of Collaborative Discussions: Mid-State notified the two colleges with the same or similar programs. There were no concerns.

Salary: \$17.76/hour

District Board Approval Date: 9/16/2024

Concept Review – Requested by: Moraine Park Technical College

Program Title: Artificial Intelligence Data Specialist

Program Description: The Artificial Intelligence Data Specialist Associate of Applied Science Degree prepares students to acquire, analyze and prepare data for use in machine learning algorithms. Graduates are employed as data analysts, AI specialists and predictive modeling analysts.

Demonstration of Program Need: Moraine Park Technical College (MPTC) demonstrated program need through a variety of sources including labor market information, focus group and advisory committee support.

Summary of Collaborative Discussions: MPTC notified the one college with the same or similar program. There were no concerns.

Salary: \$44.83/hour

District Board Approval Date: 11/20/2024

Concept Review – Requested by: Southwest Wisconsin Technical College

Program Title: Automation Systems Technology

Program Description: The Automation Systems Technology Associate of Applied Science Degree prepares students to install, program, troubleshoot and repair various automated and mechanical systems including programmable controllers, servomechanism and peripheral equipment in a production setting. Graduates are employed as robotics technicians, mechatronics technicians and automation specialists.

Demonstration of Program Need: Southwest Wisconsin Technical College (SWTC) demonstrated program need through a variety of sources including labor market information, advisory committee support and an employer survey.

Summary of Collaborative Discussions: SWTC notified the six colleges with the same or similar programs. There were no concerns.

Salary: \$28.70/hour

District Board Approval Date: 11/15/2024

PROGRAM APPROVAL

During the Program Approval phase for occupational programs, the district prepares a final analysis of the new program and the cost/benefit to district stakeholders. The analysis includes a final estimate of labor market need, instructional costs and career pathway opportunities. In addition, the district prepares a response to any issues or questions raised by the Board in the Concept Review phase.

The information, analysis and documentation submitted in the Program Approval phase are reviewed by System Office staff for adequacy. The following programs are recommended for Board approval. Board approval will complete the occupational program development process.

<u>College</u>	<u>Program Title</u>
Blackhawk Technical College	Diesel Medium and Heavy Truck Technician One-Year Technical Diploma
Fox Valley Technical College	Office Management Associate of Applied Science Degree
Fox Valley Technical College	Therapeutic Massage – Advanced Practice Advanced Technical Certificate
Madison Area Technical College	UX/UI Design Less-Than-One Year Technical Diploma
Mid-State Technical College	Steamfitting Mechanical Drafter Apprentice Apprenticeship

Program Approval – Requested by: Blackhawk Technical College

Program Title: Diesel Medium and Heavy Truck Technician

Program Description: The Diesel Medium and Heavy Truck Technician One-Year Technical Diploma prepares students for entry-level over-the-road truck fleet maintenance, dealership and repair shop service using basic skills and knowledge in diesel engines, diesel fuel systems, truck brakes and chassis, steering and suspension, climate control, hydraulic applications, electronic technology, transportation refrigeration and truck preventive maintenance. Graduates are employed as entry-level diesel and heavy truck technicians.

Cost/benefit to district stakeholders: This degree will benefit stakeholders by providing local communities with skilled employees in this occupational field. There are no additional costs or start-up funding necessary for this program.

Career pathway opportunities: Various local certificates in the diesel pathway will be contained within this new credential. This new one-year technical diploma shares portions of foundational curriculum with the college's existing Diesel and Heavy Equipment Technician two-year technical diploma program.

Program Approval – Requested by: Fox Valley Technical College

Program Title: Office Management

Program Description: The Office Management Associate of Applied Science Degree prepares students to provide administrative leadership in the areas of project management, business principles and budgeting as well as office support skills. Graduates are employed as office and administrative managers, executive assistants and administrative professionals.

Cost/benefit to district stakeholders: This degree will benefit stakeholders by providing local communities with skilled employees in this occupational field. Initial program startup costs include curriculum development and instructional support.

Career pathway opportunities: Fox Valley Technical College is exploring options for embedded programs.

Program Approval – Requested by: Fox Valley Technical College

Program Title: Therapeutic Massage – Advanced Practice

Program Description: The Therapeutic Massage – Advanced Practice Advanced Technical Certificate prepares students to provide relief and improved health and well-being to clients through the application of manual techniques for manipulating skin, muscles and other connective tissue. Therapists may assist in the assessment of range of motion and muscle strength or propose client therapy plans. Graduates are employed as massage therapists.

Cost/benefit to district stakeholders: This degree will benefit stakeholders by providing local communities with skilled employees in this occupational field. Initial program startup costs include curriculum development and instructional support.

Program Approval – Requested by: Madison Area Technical College

Program Title: UX/UI Design

Program Description: The UX/UI Design Less-Than-One Year Technical Diploma prepares students to create user-centered digital products and interfaces that facilitate human-computer interactions to maximize usability. Students will use elements of design, psychology and technology to develop and test layouts, interfaces, functionality and navigation menus. Graduates are employed as UX/UI (user experience/user interface) designers and web and digital interface designers.

Cost/benefit to district stakeholders: This degree will benefit stakeholders by providing local communities with skilled employees in this occupational field. Initial start-up costs include curriculum development and instructional support.

Career pathway opportunities: This new credential ladders into the college’s existing UX/UI associate degree.

New Apprenticeship Program Approval – Requested by: Mid-State Technical College

Program Title: Steamfitting Mechanical Drafter Apprentice

Program Description: The Steamfitting Mechanical Drafter Apprenticeship prepares apprentices to create technical drawings necessary for the assembly, installation and maintenance of steam, hot water, heating, cooling, lubricating, sprinkling or industrial production or processing systems. Apprentices are employed as steamfitting mechanical drafters.

Cost/benefit to district stakeholders: This degree will benefit stakeholders by providing local communities with skilled employees in this occupational field. Initial program startup costs include curriculum development and instructional support.

Preferred Start Date: March 14, 2025

District Board Approval Date: 9/16/2024

PROGRAM DISCONTINUANCE

A program is discontinued at a district’s request, or as initiated by System Office staff, when labor market projections decline or a program experiences low enrollment over a long period of time. Prior to being discontinued, programs are suspended for three years. In some cases, the program is modified or combined with another program. Discontinuing low-demand programs helps ensure that Wisconsin technical college programs maintain high quality and relevance to state workforce needs.

<u>College</u>	<u>Program Title</u>
Lakeshore Technical College	Wind Energy Technology Associate of Applied Science Degree Program discontinued due to low enrollment. Program originally approved: 04/02/2008
Madison Area Technical College	Steamfitting-Construction Apprentice Apprenticeship Program discontinued due to Union offering related instruction through own training center. Program originally approved: 06/01/1986
Madison Area Technical College	Steamfitting Service Apprentice Apprenticeship Program discontinued due to Union offering related instruction through own training center. Program originally approved: 06/01/1986

The following programs were modified to better meet the needs of employers; the original program names and numbers are being discontinued:

<u>College</u>	<u>Program Title</u>
Lakeshore Technical College	Pharmacy Technician One-Year Technical Diploma Program discontinued due to a title/number change to 30-536-2 Pharmacy Tech. Program originally approved: 11/01/1977
Northeast Wisconsin Technical College	Diesel Maintenance Technician One-Year Technical Diploma Program discontinued due to a number change to 30-412-2. Program originally approved: 07/08/2020

FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT

Blackhawk Technical College – Remodeling of facilities in Janesville at a cost of \$1,500,000.

Gateway Technical College – Remodeling of facilities in Elkhorn at a cost of \$500,000.

Fox Valley Technical College – Remodeling of facilities in Appleton at a cost of \$340,000.

Lakeshore Technical College – Rental of facilities in Sheboygan at an annual cost of \$50,000.

Mid-State Technical College – Construction of facilities in Stevens Point at a cost of \$200,000.

Milwaukee Area Technical College – Remodeling of facilities in Milwaukee at a cost of \$1,500,000.

Waukesha County Technical College – Remodeling of facilities in Pewaukee at a cost of \$720,000.

Western Technical College – Construction of facilities in La Crosse at a cost of \$1,375,000.

Western Technical College – Remodeling of facilities in La Crosse at a cost of \$1,500,000.

Western Technical College – Remodeling of facilities in La Crosse at a cost of \$1,500,000.

Blackhawk Technical College – Remodeling of Facilities in Janesville

The Blackhawk Technical College District, pursuant to s. 38.04(10), Stats., requests approval to remodel facilities at the main campus in Janesville.

The District proposes to remodel approximately 8,830 square feet to relocate the offices for the administration, human resources and workforce development staff. These offices were relocated to miscellaneous spaces on campus during the creation of the HVAC Technician program space and various other remodels. This project will create a shared office suite in the newly vacated public safety program space. The suite will have a centralized reception area, waiting area and large conference room. There will be twelve individual offices, an open office for six workstations, two workrooms, two bathrooms, a small conference room and various storage spaces. Consolidation of staff, reduction of support spaces and the creation of individual offices for confidential conversations are the primary drivers of the remodeling.

The remodeling will not meet the System requirement of LEED Silver and an exception to meeting this requirement is granted. A significant number of LEED points are unavailable because the project is being served by the existing HVAC systems, involves no changes to the building exterior and consists of mostly interior finish updates to about a third of the square footage. The lighting and interior finishes are being designed and specified to meet the requirements outlined for a LEED Silver facility.

The estimated cost of the project is \$1,500,000 and the unit cost, exclusive of professional fees, calculates to approximately \$163 per square foot. The project will be funded by district borrowing.

Gateway Technical College – Remodeling of Facilities in Elkhorn

The Gateway Technical College District, pursuant to s. 38.04(10), Stats., requests approval to remodel facilities in Elkhorn.

The District proposes to remodel two large bathrooms, 635 square feet, and an office suite, 515 square feet. The bathrooms are approximately 25 years old and have reached the end of their useful lives and will be updated to meet accessibility requirements. The office remodel creates a single office and an open office for four workstations.

The estimated cost of the project is \$500,000 and the unit cost, exclusive of professional fees, calculates to approximately \$396 per square foot. The project will be funded by district borrowing.

Fox Valley Technical College – Remodeling of Facilities in Appleton

The Fox Valley Technical College District, pursuant to s. 38.04(10), Stats., requests approval to remodel facilities in Appleton.

The District proposes to remodel approximately 2,000 square feet to improve the apprenticeship plumbing lab. The existing two-level lab has reached the end of its useful life and will be replaced by single (floor) level labs. The new labs will be configured to meet modern construction scenarios and the general instruction area will be equipped with modern AV equipment. The district has an apprenticeship headcount of 180 students that use the lab and enrollments have been consistent.

The estimated cost of the project is \$340,000 and the unit cost, exclusive of professional fees, calculates to approximately \$153 per square foot. The project will be funded by district borrowing.

Lakeshore Technical College – Rental of Facilities in Sheboygan

The Lakeshore Technical College District, pursuant to s. 38.04(10), Stats., requests approval to lease facilities in Sheboygan.

The District proposes to lease facilities at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay (UW-GB) Sheboygan campus. The district currently leases an 8,900 square foot facility in Sheboygan and offers classes in ELL, Adult Education, ASE, General Education, College Prep, HSED and testing services (approximately 65 FTEs). The district will discontinue the lease at its current location and offer its services at the UW-GB Sheboygan campus which will save approximately \$250,000 annually.

The district will begin to use approximately 10% of the UW-GB Sheboygan campus and will pay the University a percentage of the annual operating expenses (utility, maintenance and custodial) based on the square footage that is used. The district's current offerings in Sheboygan will occur at the new campus and as enrollments expand and new programs and classes are offered the amount of leased space may increase. The district intends to offer Nursing and Teaching programs (projected 20 FTEs) at this campus in the next year. The first annual lease payment will be \$50,000 and is based on 10% of the operating expenses for the campus. The term of the lease is ten years and the parties will review this amount annually and confirm that the lease payment represents the percentage of the direct and actual costs of the District's use of the campus. District students will have access to the entire campus, amenities and parking. The campus is also served by public transportation.

The annual cost of the lease starts at \$50,000 for the first year and will vary depending on the actual usage of the campus. The lease will be funded from the district's operating budget.

Mid-State Technical College – Construction of Facilities in Stevens Point

The Mid-State Technical College District, pursuant to s. 38.04(10), Stats., requests approval to construct facilities at the Advanced Manufacturing, Engineering Technology and Apprenticeship (AMETA™) Center in Stevens Point.

The District proposes to construct a 1,200 square foot cold storage building at the AMETA Center (32FTEs) facility. The building will allow the District to store its alternating training equipment, building maintenance equipment and training supplies. In this location the District offers its Advanced Manufacturing programs such as Welding, Metal Fabrication and Precision Machining. The AMETA Center was constructed to respond to local employers' manufacturing needs.

The District received State Board approval for this project at the November 2024 WTCS Board meeting, and subsequently the bidding process revealed a higher cost than originally estimated. The original project approval was \$90,000 with an estimated cost of \$75 per square foot.

The cost of the project is \$200,000, which calculates to approximately \$167 per square foot and will be funded by district borrowing.

Milwaukee Area Technical College – Remodeling of Facilities in Milwaukee

The Milwaukee Area Technical College district, pursuant to s. 38.04(10), Stats., requests approval to remodel facilities at the Downtown Campus in Milwaukee.

The District proposes to remodel approximately 2,000 square feet to create a Biology classroom/lab and a virtual reality (VR) classroom. These spaces will be used by students in health-related programs as well as general education, biology, anatomy and chemistry classes. The specialty lab will be available for specific training related to Biotech and Biohealth classes. The VR lab will be used by STEM Students on campus to explore various scenarios based on their curriculum. The biology lab will provide the required accessible student stations. Enrollments in health and general education required programs are consistent and projections remain consistent. The remodeling includes the creation of student collaboration spaces and improvements to the corridor finishes. The square foot costs for this project are high due to plumbing, electrical and IT infrastructure improvements.

The estimated cost of the project is \$1,500,000 and the unit cost of the remodeling calculates to approximately \$750 per square foot and the project will be funded by district borrowing.

Waukesha County Technical College – Remodeling of Facilities in Pewaukee

The Waukesha County Technical College district, pursuant to s. 38.04(10), Stats., requests approval to remodel facilities at the main campus in Pewaukee.

The District proposes to remodel the lobby of the Anthony J Natalizio (AJN) conference facility, approximately 5,900 square feet. The project will reconfigure, modernize and update the finishes of the

lobby. A warming kitchen will replace the existing serving area, a micro-store (self-checkout/vending) will replace a vending machine alcove and the student study/attendee gathering areas will be redefined. The lobby precedes the 1,375 person AJN facility and holds approximately 175 school and community events annually. A small breakout conference room will also be updated.

The remodeling will not meet the System requirement of LEED Silver and an exception to meeting this requirement is granted. A significant number of LEED points are unavailable because the project is being served by the existing HVAC systems, involves no changes to the building exterior and consists of mostly interior finish updates. The lighting and interior finishes are being designed and specified to meet the requirements outlined for a LEED Silver facility.

The estimated cost of the project is \$720,000, and the unit cost, exclusive of professional fees, calculates to approximately \$114 per square foot. The district will spend an additional \$120,000 on equipment to furnish the space. The project will be funded by district borrowing.

Western Technical College – Construction of Facilities in La Crosse

The Western Technical College district, pursuant to s. 38.04(10), Stats., requests approval to construct facilities in La Crosse.

The District proposes to construct a 4,150 square foot addition for the Automotive Technician program (20 FTEs). The existing facility has three vehicle bays, and the addition will create eight vehicle workstations to expand hands on training and larger class sizes. The new equipment in the eight bays will reflect what students will find at employers. The district has consistent enrollments and employer demand for graduates of all of their automotive programs. An Environmental Assessment for the addition was made available to the public and no comments were received on the proposed construction.

The cost of the construction is \$1,375,000, and the unit cost, exclusive of professional fees, calculates to approximately \$304 per square foot. The district will spend an additional \$250,000 on equipment to furnish the space. The project will be funded by district borrowing of \$1,250,000 and \$125,000 in donations.

Western Technical College – Remodeling of Facilities in La Crosse

The Western Technical College district, pursuant to s. 38.04(10), Stats., requests approval to remodel facilities in La Crosse.

The District proposes to remodel approximately 7,900 square feet at the Vehicle Technology Center for the Automotive Service Tech & Automotive Maintenance & Light Repair (10 FTEs) programs. The majority of the project will update facilities that have reached the end of their useful lives. The entrance vestibule will be replaced to improve energy efficiency along with improvements to the façade to match campus design standards. Two large bathrooms will be redesigned and three new individual bathrooms will be created to meet current accessibility standards. Eight new faculty offices will replace the existing demountable offices and will provide acoustic separation for private consultations. The existing lobby, corridors and student lounge will have finishes and associated cabinetry replaced. The dyno room, tire

balancing room, parts counter and parts storage spaces will also be updated. The district has consistent enrollments and employer demand for graduates of its vehicle technology programs.

The remodeling will not meet the System requirement of LEED Silver and an exception to meeting this requirement is granted. A significant number of LEED points are unavailable because the project is being served by the existing HVAC systems. The alterations to the vestibule will improve access, daylight and energy efficiency. The plumbing fixtures, lighting and interior finishes are being designed and specified to meet the requirements outlined for a LEED Silver facility.

The cost of the construction is \$1,500,000, and the unit cost, exclusive of professional fees, calculates to approximately \$176 per square foot. The district will spend an additional \$350,000 on equipment to furnish the space. The project will be funded by district borrowing.

Western Technical College – Remodeling of Facilities in La Crosse

The Western Technical College District, pursuant to s. 38.04(10), Stats., requests approval to remodel facilities in La Crosse.

The District proposes to remodel approximately 11,900 square feet for various academic and non-academic student support services. Various locations on the first and second floor of the Student Services building will be remodeled to create and enlarge spaces. On the first floor, a new bookstore with storage space and an office will be created, a testing room with individual testing desks will replace an open testing room, and a learner support office suite with consultation rooms and offices will be created. On the second floor, a basic needs office suite and storage space adjacent to the food pantry will be created, the counseling case management office suite will be updated and the career services office suite will be updated. These service spaces are available to all of the students at the district. This remodeling project consists of room and office creation while the majority of these spaces will get new lighting, new wall finishes, new carpet and upgrades to IT and electrical infrastructure.

The remodeling will not meet the System requirement of LEED Silver and an exception to meeting this requirement is granted. A significant number of LEED points are unavailable because the project is being served by the existing HVAC systems, involves no changes to the building exterior, no changes to the plumbing systems and consists largely of new interior partitions and finish updates. The lighting and interior finishes are being designed and specified to meet the requirements outlined for a LEED Silver facility.

The cost of the construction is \$1,500,000, and the unit cost, exclusive of professional fees, calculates to approximately \$116 per square foot and will be funded by district borrowing.

INTERIM DISTRICT BOARD APPOINTMENT

Wisconsin statutes establish requirements for the membership of technical college boards, including that each board has nine members who are residents of the college District and who take office on July 1. Members whose appointments are approved by the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) Board serve staggered three-year terms.

WTCS Board approval is needed for interim appointments for vacant positions with terms as specified.

Fox Valley Technical College

<u>Member Category</u>	<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term</u>
Additional	Molly Steiner	April 15, 2025-June 30, 2025

Molly Steiner is a graduate of Fox Valley Technical College and currently works as a district court administrative assistant with District 4 of the State of Wisconsin Supreme Court.

ITEM H: STATE AND FEDERAL GRANT AWARDS

WTCS Grant Manager Tou Ya Khang

Resolution:

That, upon the recommendation of the president of the Wisconsin Technical College System, the Wisconsin Technical College System Board approves funding awards for the State of Wisconsin, Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V), and Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA) grant programs for fiscal year 2025-26, as presented.

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: State
 Focus: Career Pathways
 Type: Competitive
 Total: \$3,500,000

The Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) Board awards funds to align, scale and innovate Career Pathway approaches leading to enhanced education and employment outcomes. Projects must seek to align, scale, or innovate career pathway methodologies through the appropriate combination of workforce, industry, secondary, adult education, postsecondary education and training, career and academic advising, and supportive services needed to align education and training to industry recognized credentials. Career Pathway approaches must be designed to prepare all students for employment in their chosen field as well as return to and engage in additional postsecondary education that enables them to advance in their careers.

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Chippewa Valley	Increasing Access to Career Pathways for English Language Learners at CVTC	\$260,000
Chippewa Valley	Creating and Expanding Manufacturing and Transportation Opportunities for Rural High School Students	\$260,000
Fox Valley	FVTC IT Web Design & Adult Education	\$207,617
Northcentral	Innovative Pilot Pathway: Fostering the Promotion of LPNs to RNs for the Future of Nursing	\$165,551
Northeast Wisconsin	EMS Academy	\$259,802
Northwood	Northwood Technical College Gerontology Center of Excellence- Expanding Career Pathways and Partnerships	\$172,394

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: State
Focus: Completion
Type: Competitive
Total: \$3,000,000

The Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) Board awards funds to create, expand and/or implement innovative strategies through direct services for students experiencing gaps in student success outcomes who are enrolled in post-secondary courses or Adult Education/ELL as defined in chapter 11 of the Educational Services Manual (ESM), as well as students who progress through career pathways. The primary goal is to support students experiencing gaps in student success outcomes, which may include but is not limited to students with disabilities, students of color, student parents, military service members, and first-generation students through course completion, completion of subsequent semesters, and completion of programs or WTCS Pathway Certificates.

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Blackhawk	Completion	\$225,000
Chippewa Valley	Student Services and Support to Close Equity Gaps	\$225,000
Fox Valley	Addressing Completion Challenges in FVTC Health Division Programs	\$207,029
Gateway	Closing Gaps in Student Success for Men of Color	\$225,000
Lakeshore	FY2025-26 Lakeshore College Student Completion Grant	\$225,000
Madison Area	Student Completion	\$225,000
Mid-State	Mid-State Supporting Student Persistence and Completion	\$225,000
Milwaukee Area	WTCS Completion-Math	\$186,360
Moraine Park	Completion	\$194,193
Nicolet Area	Bridging Barriers to Completion: Financial Assistance, Cohort Support, and Inclusive Services for Student Success	\$37,950
Northcentral	Bridging the Gap to Completion at Northcentral Technical College	\$225,000
Northeast Wisconsin	RETAIN (Reaching Past Existing Thresholds by Addressing Individualized Needs)	\$173,443
Northwood	Promoting Success Through Targeted Support Services	\$88,714
Southwest Wisconsin	Completion	\$225,000

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Waukesha County	Advancing Retention by Building Community & Leveraging Technology	\$225,000
Western	Completion	\$225,000

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: State
 Focus: Core Industry
 Type: Competitive
 Total: \$6,750,000

The Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) Board awards funds to help ensure that WTCS approved programs in core industry areas provide industry-relevant education and training using rigorous curricula, current technology and related services. Programs must be open for student enrollments and have been offered for one year or more (January 16, 2023, or earlier). These grants may expand programming in high-demand fields within the college district.

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Blackhawk	Medical Laboratory Technician	\$350,000
Chippewa Valley	Auto Collision Repair & Refinish Technician Program (31-405-1)	\$250,000
Chippewa Valley	Machine Tooling Technics (32-420-5)	\$250,000
Fox Valley	Criminal Justice (10-504-5) Recruitment & Retention Project	\$350,000
Fox Valley	FVTC Supply Chain Management (10-182-1)	\$145,264
Gateway	Expanding Access and Enhancing Training for Firefighters	\$337,527
Gateway	Advancing Emergency Preparedness: Expanding and Enhancing Gateway's EMT-Paramedic Program	\$150,000
Lakeshore	Lakeshore Competency-Based Education HVAC & Building Trades Fundamentals (HVAC Installation Technician Effective 07.01.2025) 31-601-2 Technical Diploma Program Expansion	\$204,936
Lakeshore	Lakeshore Competency-Based Education Maintenance Mechanic 31-462-2 Program Expansion	\$295,062
Madison Area	Enhancing Student Support to Grow a Diverse Practical Nursing Workforce	\$310,108
Madison Area	Culinary Pathways to Success: Enhancing Education, Engagement, and Excellence	\$140,006
Mid-State	EMT Paramedic 31-531-1, Paramedic Technician 10-531-1	\$230,000
Mid-State	Early Childhood Professional 31-307-6	\$270,000
Milwaukee Area	FY 25-26 State Core Industry-Funeral Services Equipment	\$350,000
Milwaukee Area	FY 25-26 State Core Industry - Criminal Justice	\$150,000

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Moraine Park	Welding Core Industry Expansion at Moraine Park	\$239,629
Moraine Park	Electromechanical Technology (10-620-1) Core Industry Expansion	\$259,667
Nicolet Area	NATC Healthcare Simulation Center for Education: Nursing (10-543-1)	\$350,000
Northcentral	Drive Your Way with NTC's Truck Driving Program (30-458-1)	\$298,789
Northcentral	Advancing the Herd: Transforming NTC's Dairy Science Program (10-091-4)	\$201,211
Northeast Wisconsin	Software Developer Associate Degree 101521	\$149,550
Northeast Wisconsin	CNC Core Industry	\$350,000
Northwood	Northwood Tech Dental Assistant Expansion	\$349,919
Southwest Wisconsin	AI for Business Management, 10-102-3	\$212,780
Waukesha County	Enhancing Student Learning in Nursing (10-543-1) Through Simulation Technology	\$350,000
Waukesha County	Paramedic Technician Technical Diploma (31-531-2) Expansion Project	\$150,000
Western	AI Infusion: IT-Web & Software Developer (10-152-7)	\$150,000
Western	Western's Medical Laboratory Technician Program Revamp (10-513-1)	\$350,000

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: State
 Focus: Developing Markets
 Type: Competitive
 Total: \$2,000,000

The Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) Board awards funds to support programs new to the district that have received final program approval by the System Board at or before the January meeting of the grant application year. These funds can be used for development of curriculum and related instructional material; technology and software; the purchase of equipment; staff development; the delivery of instruction; and the pursuit of accreditation.

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Blackhawk	Respiratory Therapy (10-515-1)	\$200,000
Chippewa Valley	Modification and Delivery of CNC Mill Operator Technical Diploma at Chippewa Valley Technical College (CVTC)	\$200,000
Fox Valley	FVTC Precision Agriculture Technology (10-092-1)	\$200,000
Gateway	Dental Hygiene	\$200,000
Lakeshore	Lakeshore Dental Hygiene (10-508-01) Developing Market	\$200,000
Madison Area	IT-Cyber Compliance Specialist Two-Year Associate Degree	\$199,023
Mid-State	Mid-State's Air Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Technology AAS	\$200,000
Moraine Park	Maintenance Mechanic/Millwright Apprenticeship Developing Markets	\$198,403
Nicolet Area	Field Ready: Innovative Training for Next-Generation Service Technicians	\$200,000
Northcentral	Pioneering the Future of Oral Healthcare: NTC's Dental Therapy Associate Degree Program	\$200,000
Southwest Wisconsin	IT-Software Developer, 10-152-1	\$200,000
Waukesha County	Manufacturing Integration Engineering Technology	\$200,000

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: State
 Focus: Emergency Assistance
 Type: Formula
 Total: \$320,000

The Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) Board awards funds to offer emergency assistance grants to eligible Pell recipients who experience unforeseen financial emergencies. The goal is to assist eligible students who are experiencing unplanned events that may affect their ability to stay in school.

Grant Recipient	Initiative	Amount
Blackhawk	Emergency Assistance	\$11,869
Chippewa Valley	CVTC Emergency Assistance	\$16,328
Fox Valley	FVTC Emergency Assistance Grant	\$15,447
Gateway	Emergency Assistance	\$17,884
Lakeshore	Lakeshore Emergency Assistance Grant	\$9,579
Madison Area	Madison College Emergency Grants Program	\$22,148
Mid-State	Mid-State Student Emergency Assistance	\$12,086
Milwaukee Area	Emergency Assistance	\$44,174
Moraine Park	MPTC Emergency Assistance Student Grant	\$10,036
Nicolet Area	NATC Emergency Assistance Program	\$7,077
Northcentral	FY25/26 Emergency Assistance Grants for NTC Students	\$12,766
Northeast Wisconsin	Emergency Assistance	\$17,949
Northwood	Northwood Tech Student Emergency Assistance Grant	\$10,542
Southwest Wisconsin	Emergency Assistance	\$8,464
Waukesha County	Emergency Assistance Grant	\$10,281
Western	02-833 Emergency Assistance	\$13,370

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: State

Focus: Professional Growth

Type: Formula

Total: \$1,000,000

The Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) Board awards funds to support professional growth activities and occupational competency training. Grants in this category will be awarded for programs that promote the following:

- Support college efforts to recruit, retain and/or mentor faculty of color
- Instructor awareness of and expertise in a wide variety of newly emerging technologies
- Integration of learning technologies in curriculum and instruction
- Use of instructional methods that incorporate emerging technologies

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Blackhawk	Professional Growth	\$49,876
Chippewa Valley	CVTC Professional Growth	\$67,809
Fox Valley	Emerging Technology Integration Program Grant	\$76,739
Gateway	Professional Development	\$64,252
Lakeshore	Lakeshore Professional Growth	\$51,514
Madison Area	Madison College Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning	\$81,550
Mid-State	Mid-State Occupational Competency	\$8,000
Mid-State	Mid-State Professional Growth	\$44,220
Milwaukee Area	FY25-26 Professional Growth	\$100,271
Moraine Park	Professional Growth	\$51,749
Nicolet Area	NATC Employee Professional Growth and Development	\$48,374
Northcentral	Professional Growth for Faculty and Staff at Northcentral Technical College, 2025-2026	\$58,892
Northeast Wisconsin	Professional Development	\$72,957
Northwood	Northwood Tech Professional Growth Grant	\$52,102
Southwest Wisconsin	Professional Growth	\$48,129
Waukesha County	Organizational Learning and Talent Growth Strategy	\$63,983

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Western	02-804 Professional Growth	\$59,583

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: Perkins V Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century
 Focus: Career Prep
 Type: Formula
 Total: \$921,421

This grant provides funds to enable colleges, in collaboration with secondary schools, to develop Programs of Study designed to support career and technical education students transitioning from a Wisconsin high school to a Wisconsin technical college. In addition, funds can be used to carry out activities that engage students in career exploration, academy development, Dual Enrollment and postsecondary options. When designing activities aligned with the Career Prep outcomes, consider closing the achievement gap for all students to enhance participation and completion.

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Blackhawk	Career Prep	\$47,229
Chippewa Valley	Chippewa Valley Technical College – Career Prep	\$59,501
Fox Valley	FVTC Perkins Career Prep Initiative	\$62,152
Gateway	Career Prep	\$59,854
Lakeshore	FY2025-26 Lakeshore Perkins Career Prep Grant	\$48,205
Madison Area	Career Prep	\$79,851
Mid-State	Career Prep	\$45,043
Milwaukee Area	FY 25-26 Perkins Career Prep	\$82,446
Moraine Park	Perkins V Career Prep	\$53,576
Nicolet Area	Career Ready, College Bound: Strengthening Pathways through Postsecondary Credits and Career Awareness	\$41,209
Northcentral	Career Prep-North Central Wisconsin School-to-Career Partnership	\$53,102
Northeast Wisconsin	Northeast Wisconsin Technical College Career Prep Planning Program	\$64,460
Northwood	Northwood Tech Career Prep Grant	\$62,645
Southwest Wisconsin	Career Prep	\$51,930
Waukesha County	Waukesha County Career Prep	\$55,912
Western	Career Prep	\$54,306

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: Perkins V Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century
 Focus: Targeting Attainment Gaps in CTE
 Type: Formula
 Total: \$792,862

Grant funds in this category are to support colleges in addressing disparities or gaps in performance for students, especially members of special populations (Sec. 113(c)(1)(D)), as identified within the Perkins Comprehensive Local Needs Assessments (CLNA). Including:

- Identifying disparities or gaps in performance in student and employee data.
- Reviewing and addressing missing data points that are important for an accurate understanding of factors leading to disparities.
- Institutionalizing a culture of supporting student groups, including members of Perkins Special Populations, which is maintained by planning and resource allocation.
- Supporting efforts outlined in college strategic plans focused on closing attainment gaps.
- Funds are also available for increasing credential attainment specifically for special populations in accordance with the 60 Forward Postsecondary Education Attainment Goal.

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Blackhawk	Professional Learning and Development for Targeting Attainment Gaps	\$36,815
Chippewa Valley	Targeting Attainment Gaps at CVTC	\$44,739
Fox Valley	FVTC Targeting Attainment Gaps in CTE	\$49,393
Gateway	Attainment, Retention and Student Success	\$67,137
Lakeshore	FY2025-26 Lakeshore Targeting Attainment Gaps in CTE Grant	\$31,371
Madison Area	Continuing to Advance Attainment in CTE at Madison College	\$80,765
Mid-State	Capacity Building	\$28,525
Milwaukee Area	FY 25-26 Targeting Attainment Gaps	\$117,376
Moraine Park	Targeting Attainment Gaps in CTE	\$43,599
Nicolet Area	Targeting Attainment Gaps at NATC through Student Support and Engagement	\$22,414
Northcentral	Targeting Attainment Gaps at Northcentral Technical College, 2025-2026	\$43,618

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Northeast Wisconsin	Targeting Attainment Gaps in CTE	\$63,714
Northwood	Northwood Tech Capacity Building Grant	\$39,461
Southwest Wisconsin	SWTC Capacity Building	\$32,329
Waukesha County	Supporting Attainment and Resilience for a Modern College	\$59,139
Western	02-735 Targeting Attainment Gaps	\$32,467

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: Perkins V Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century
 Focus: Student Success
 Type: Formula
 Total: \$5,399,958 + Flex Funds

Grants in this category are awarded to provide direct student support services designed to meet the needs of designated career and technical education student populations experiencing gaps in student success outcomes which may include, but is not limited to, students with disabilities, students of color, military service members, economically disadvantaged students and first-generation students.

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Blackhawk	Achieving Student Success	\$364,001
Chippewa Valley	CVTC Achieving Student Success	\$469,294
Fox Valley	FVTC Perkins Student Success	\$568,599
Gateway	Pathways to Student Success	\$691,968
Lakeshore	FY2025-26 Lakeshore College Perkins Student Success	\$203,748
Madison Area	Student Success	\$505,951
Mid-State	Student Success	\$394,233
Milwaukee Area	FY 25-26 Perkins Student Success	\$1,927,800
Moraine Park	Perkins Student Success	\$278,497
Nicolet Area	Achieving Student Success at Nicolet College	\$109,628
Northcentral	Achieving Student Success for NTC Students	\$430,266
Northeast Wisconsin	Achieving Student Success	\$702,656
Northwood	Achieving Student Success	\$297,430
Southwest Wisconsin	SWTC Student Success	\$126,830
Waukesha County	Bridging Gaps: Enhancing Success and Credential Attainment	\$284,605
Western	02-750 Student Success	\$363,390

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: Perkins V Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century
 Focus: Promoting and Supporting High School to College Transitions for Career and Technical Education Students
 Type: Formula
 Total: Flex Funds

Grants in this category are awarded only for enhancing a high school student’s technical and academic skill, providing opportunities for transition to post-secondary education, or the joint development of additional Programs of Study (POS) by the college with one or more secondary partners. Funded activities should supplement the college’s other existing efforts to improve high school to postsecondary transitions for secondary students, as well as complement the district’s Career Prep Reserve Grant. When looking to create activities for these efforts, consider closing the achievement gap for all students allowing for greater participation and completion.

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Chippewa Valley	Promoting and Supporting High School to College Transitions for CTE Students	\$100,221
Lakeshore	High School to College Grant	\$9,314
Madison Area	Promoting and Supporting High School to College Transitions for Career and Technical Education Students	\$39,360
Southwest Wisconsin	SWTC Promoting HSTC	\$63,415

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: Perkins V Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century
 Focus: Strengthening Career and Technical Education Programs
 Type: Formula
 Total: \$2,159,983 + Flex Funds

Grants in this category are awarded to improve the performance outcomes of WTCS programs of significant size and scope that directly link to maintaining or improving Perkins V Core Performance Indicators.

Grant Recipient	Initiative	Amount
Blackhawk	Strengthening CTE Programs	\$97,067
Chippewa Valley	Strengthening CVTC CTE Programs	\$151,871
Fox Valley	FVTC Perkins CTE - Strengthening Culinary Arts 10-316-1	\$151,626
Gateway	Success Coaching, Embedded Tutoring, and Targeted Tutoring to Strengthen Programs: Business Management, Human Services, and Nursing.	\$184,525
Lakeshore	FY2025-26 Lakeshore Perkins Strengthening Career and Technical Education	\$66,530
Madison Area	Strengthening Career & Technical Education Programs	\$153,092
Mid-State	Strengthening Programs	\$105,129
Milwaukee Area	FY 25-26 Perkins Strengthening	\$514,079
Moraine Park	Strengthening CTE Project	\$74,266
Nicolet Area	Strengthening Nursing Education: Building Resilience Through Strengths-Based Coaching and Experiential Learning Support	\$29,234
Northcentral	Strengthening CTE: NTC's Information Technology and Education & Training Cluster Programs	\$114,738
Northeast Wisconsin	Strengthening Programs Human Services and Public Safety Cluster	\$187,375
Northwood	Improving Credential Attainment & Course Completion for 10-101-1 Accounting, 10-102-3 Business Management, 10-307-1 Early Childhood Education, 10-543-1 Associate Degree Nursing, and General Studies programs	\$79,315

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Southwest Wisconsin	SWTC Strengthening CTE	\$50,732
Waukesha County	Strengthening Enrollment and Expanding of Support for NTO Students	\$75,895
Western	02-786 Strengthening Programs	\$96,904

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: Perkins V Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century
 Focus: Assuring Access and Participation in Nontraditional Occupational (NTO) Training and Employment
 Type: Formula
 Total: \$539,996 + Flex Funds

Grants in this category are awarded to provide services to recruit and retain students in nontraditional (NTO) career and technical education programs. To provide career awareness, career development and pre-technical activities to support the enrollment of students in non-traditional post-secondary career and technical education programs (see definitions). As well as providing services to support NTO enrolled students to attain a credential of fewer than 12 credits or the completion of 12 credits with a grade of 2.0 or better within one academic year to work toward earning a credential of 12 or more credits.

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Blackhawk	Non-Traditional Occupations	\$24,267
Chippewa Valley	CVTC Non-Traditional Occupations Initiative	\$37,968
Fox Valley	FVTC Perkins NTO Recruitment and Retention Services	\$37,907
Gateway	Achieving Success Through Nontraditional Occupations	\$46,131
Lakeshore	FY2025-26 Lakeshore Perkins Nontraditional Occupation Grant	\$53,057
Madison Area	Tools for Tomorrow	\$67,057
Mid-State	NTO	\$26,282
Milwaukee Area	FY 25-26 Perkins NTO	\$128,519
Moraine Park	Nontraditional Occupations	\$18,566
Nicolet Area	Empowering NTO Success: Career Cluster Resources and Faculty Training for Inclusive Student Support	\$7,309
Northcentral	Increasing NTO Enrollment and Success	\$28,684
Northeast Wisconsin	Access & Success in Nontraditional Occupational Training and Employment	\$46,844
Northwood	Supporting Access to & Completion of NTO Training & Employment	\$19,829
Southwest Wisconsin	SWTC NTO 2025	\$12,683

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Waukesha County	Navigating NTO Students to Success in IT Programs	\$18,974
Western	02-737 NTO	\$24,226

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: Perkins V Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century
Focus: Perkins V Tribal Colleges
Type: Formula
Total: \$138,028

The Perkins V Tribal Colleges grant combines the goals of the Student Success, Strengthening Programs and Nontraditional Occupations grants into one application.

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
College of Menominee Nation	Tribal College Student Success	\$70,032
Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe University	Perkins V for Tribal Colleges	\$67,996

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: Program Revenue
Focus: Work-Based Learning Grants to Tribal Colleges
Type: Formula
Total: \$594,000

The Work-Based Learning Grants to Tribal Colleges transfers \$594,000 of gaming revenue in each year of the biennium for work-based learning programs to provide work-based learning activities and experiences that might include occupational skills training to youth and adults at the College of Menominee Nation and the Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe University.

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
College of Menominee Nation	Work-Based Learning Grant to Tribal Colleges	\$297,000
Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe University	Work-Based Learning for Tribal Colleges	\$297,000

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA)
 Focus: Adult Education and Literacy Section 231
 Type: Competitive
 Total: \$5,431,820

Grants in the Adult Education and Literacy Section 231 category support evidence-based adult education and literacy activities within geographic regions. Each eligible provider receiving a grant for Section 231 funds must use the awarded funds to deliver programs, activities and services that include adult education, literacy, workplace adult education and literacy activities, family literacy activities, English language acquisition activities, integrated English literacy and civics education, workforce preparation activities or integrated education and training.

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Blackhawk	Comprehensive-Adult Basic Education	\$135,617
Chippewa Valley	Chippewa Valley Regional Comprehensive Services Program	\$236,392
Fox Valley	FVTC AEFLA Comprehensive Adult Education & Literacy	\$314,656
Gateway	Adult Education and Literacy	\$556,170
Lakeshore	Lakeshore AEFLA Adult Education and Literacy (Section 231) Consortium	\$254,156
Latino Academy of Workforce Development	LAWD Adult Education and Literacy for Workforce Advancement	\$75,000
Literacy Green Bay	Pre-Literacy and Pre-Level 1 ELA Population	\$35,000
Literacy Services of Wisconsin	Building Futures through Community-Based IETs	\$85,889
Madison Area	Adult Basic Education Comprehensive Services Program	\$898,861
Mid-State	Mid-State Adult Education and Literacy	\$176,353
Milwaukee Area	FY 25-26 MATC AEFLA Comprehensive	\$976,488
Moraine Park	Adult Education and Literacy	\$246,931
Nicolet Area	NATC AEFLA	\$105,803
Northcentral	Empowering Futures: Elevating Skills for Success in Education and Employment	\$282,556
Northeast Wisconsin	NEW (Northeast Wisconsin) Path to Success	\$331,995

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Northwood	Northwood Tech Adult Education & Literacy Grant	\$199,446
Southwest Wisconsin	AEFLA - Comprehensive	\$78,848
Waukesha County	WCTC Comprehensive Services	\$216,041
Western	701 AEFLA Comprehensive	\$225,618

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA)
 Focus: Programs for Corrections Education & Other Institutionalized Individuals Section 225 Grant
 Type: Competitive
 Total: \$700,000

Grants in the Programs for Corrections Education and Other Institutionalized Individuals Section 225 category shall carry out corrections education and education for other institutionalized individuals. Funds within this category shall be used for the cost of educational programs for criminal offenders in correctional institutions and for other institutionalized individuals, including academic programs such as adult education and literacy activities, integrated education and training, and transition post release services with the goal of reducing recidivism.

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Fox Valley	FVTC AEFLA Re-Entry	\$55,000
Jefferson County Literacy Council	Preparing for Re-Entry	\$49,200
Lakeshore	Lakeshore Programs for Corrections Education (Section 225) Consortium	\$75,000
Literacy Services of Wisconsin	Restoring Futures through Credentials	\$75,000
Madison Area	Project for Institutionalized Adults	\$17,930
Mid-State	Mid-State Programs for Corrections Education	\$45,250
Milwaukee Area	FY 25-26 AEFLA Re-Entry	\$75,000
Moraine Park	Corrections Education	\$36,340
Northcentral	Building Bridges to Re-Entry: Education and Skills for a Fresh Start	\$75,000
Northwood	Corrections to Careers	\$46,280
Waukesha County	Waukesha County Technical College Corrections	\$75,000
Western	704 AEFLA Corrections Education	\$75,000

WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM (WTCS)
2025-26 GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WTCS BOARD APPROVAL

Source: Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA)
 Focus: Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education Section 243 Grant
 Type: Competitive
 Total: \$516,009

Integrated English Literacy Civics & Education Section 243 funds provide educational programs for adults (including professionals with degrees and credentials in their native countries) that enable such adults to achieve competency in English language and acquire the basic and more advanced skills needed to function effectively as parents, workers and citizens in the United States.

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Initiative</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Fox Valley	FVTC AEFLA IELCE	\$75,000
Latino Academy of Workforce Development	LAWD Adult Education with Civics	\$75,000
Literacy Network of Dane County	Transitions English & Advising	\$72,003
Literacy Services of Wisconsin	Empowering Voices for Civic Opportunities	\$75,000
Madison Area	Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education Project	\$75,000
Waukesha County	Waukesha County Technical College IELCE	\$72,003
Western	02-705 AEFLA IELCE	\$72,003

ITEM I: 2025-26 TUITION RECOMMENDATION

WTCS Executive Vice President Paul Hammer

Resolution:

That, upon the recommendation of the president of the Wisconsin Technical College System, the per credit tuition rates for 2025-26, beginning with the summer session, shall be as follows:

Occupational	\$152.85 per credit
Occupational non-resident addition	\$ 76.43 per credit
Associate of Arts/Associate of Science	\$192.20 per credit
Associate of Arts/Associate of Science non-resident addition	\$ 96.10 per credit

The System Board is required by statute to annually set uniform tuition charges for the subsequent academic year. A Tuition Workgroup consisting of four System Board members was established to provide System office staff guidance for making a recommendation regarding tuition. The Tuition Workgroup considered many factors including college costs and enrollment projections, state aid, the property tax levy, president's recommendations, Wisconsin Student Government recommendation, student financial assistance and budgets, student debt and the consumer price index. The Tuition Workgroup also reviewed historical information regarding tuition for the WTCS, UW System, and at two-year institutions both nationally and within the Midwest region.

Appendix A provides historical information regarding WTCS tuition.

Appendix B provides historical information regarding UW System resident tuition. The Board of Regents traditionally sets tuition for UW System institutions in the summer for the upcoming academic year.

Appendix C provides historical information regarding tuition and fees at two-year public postsecondary colleges both nationally and in the Midwest.

Based on the guidance provided by the Tuition Workgroup, as well as a review of relevant data and information, the System office recommends tuition rates for fiscal year 2025-26 as follows:

- Occupational - \$152.85 per credit; and
- Associate of Arts/Associate of Science - \$192.20 per credit

The proposed 2025-26 tuition rates represent a 2.25% increase over the 2024-25 rates for the occupational tuition rate of \$149.50 (\$3.35 increase) and a 1.75% increase over the 2024-25 rates for the Associate of Arts/Associate of Science rate of \$188.90 (\$3.30 increase). For a full-time student taking 15 credits a semester, the proposed tuition rates would mean an increase of \$50.25 per semester for an occupational student and an increase of \$49.50 per semester for an Associate of Arts/Associate of Science student.

Under state statute, occupational program tuition must recover not less than 14% of the statewide average operational costs of providing this program, while Associate of Arts/Associate of Science program tuition must recover not less than 31% of the statewide average operational costs of providing this program. With the 2025-26 proposed rates, occupational tuition would recover a projected 18.7% of operational costs and Associate of Arts/Associate of Science tuition would recover a projected 33.1% of operational costs.

Non-Resident Tuition

State statutes require the non-resident tuition rate to be established at 150% of the in-state tuition rate. To arrive at the total per credit charge, the resident rate must be added to the corresponding additional non-resident rate. The following information provides the total for non-resident tuition based on the recommended 2.25% and 1.75% increase for occupational rate and Associate of Arts/Associate of Science rate, respectively.

PER CREDIT CHARGE

	<u>Occupational</u>	Associate of Arts/ <u>Associate of Science</u>
Tuition (Resident)	\$ 152.85	\$ 192.20
Non-Resident Tuition Addition	<u>\$ 76.43</u>	<u>\$ 96.10</u>
Total Non-Resident Tuition	\$ 229.28	\$ 288.30

Appendix A

WTCS Tuition

School Year	*Occpt. Per Credit	*Occpt. Annual	*Occpt. Percentage Change	**AA/AS Per Credit	**AA/AS Annual	**AA/AS Percentage Change
2015-16	128.40	3,852	2.0	173.75	5,213	2.0
2016-17	130.35	3,910	1.5	176.35	5,290	1.5
2017-18	132.20	3,966	1.4	178.80	5,364	1.4
2018-19	134.20	4,026	1.5	181.50	5,445	1.5
2019-20	136.50	4,095	1.7	184.60	5,538	1.7
2020-21	138.90	4,167	1.75	187.85	5,636	1.75
2021-22	141.00	4,230	1.5	188.90	5,667	0.55
2022-23	143.45	4,304	1.75	188.90	5,667	0.00
2023-24	146.20	4,386	1.9	188.90	5,667	0.00
2024-25	149.50	4,485	2.25	188.90	5,667	0.00

*Occpt. – Occupational

**AA/AS – Associate of Arts/Associate of Science

Annual tuition amount is based on 30 credits/year (15/semester).

APPENDIX B

UW System Tuition

School Year	2-Year Per Credit	2-Year Annual	2-Year % Change	UWS Per Credit	UWS Annual	UWS % Change	UW-Mad Per Credit	UW-Mad Annual	UW-Mad % Change
2015-16	197.93	4,750	0.0	262.43	6,298	0.0	386.39	9,273	0.0
2016-17	197.93	4,750	0.0	262.43	6,298	0.0	386.39	9,273	0.0
2017-18	197.93	4,750	0.0	262.43	6,298	0.0	386.39	9,273	0.0
2018-19	197.93	4,750	0.0	262.43	6,298	0.0	386.39	9,273	0.0
2019-20	197.93	4,750	0.0	262.43	6,298	0.0	386.39	9,273	0.0
2020-21	197.93	4,750	0.0	262.43	6,298	0.0	386.39	9,273	0.0
2021-22	197.93	4,750	0.0	262.43	6,298	0.0	386.39	9,273	0.0
2022-23	197.93	4,750	0.0	262.43	6,298	0.0	386.39	9,273	0.0
2023-24	206.84	4,964	4.5	274.24	6,582	4.5	401.85	9,644	4.0
2024-25	214.60	5,150	3.75	290.75	6,978	6.0	416.92	10,006	3.75

2-Year – Two-Year Branch Campuses

UWS – UW System – PKSD

UW Mad – UW Madison

Notes

- The per credit rate is charged if a UW student takes less than 12 credits in a semester. The annual rate is charged if a student takes 12 to 18 credits in a semester. A per credit rate is also charged for each credit over 18.
- The percentage change column is based on the annual rate and not the per credit rate.
- The tuition for UW 4-Yr (non-doctoral) campuses varies; the amounts shown represent the base level.
- UW-Milwaukee's tuition is slightly lower than UW-Madison's.

APPENDIX C

NATIONAL AND MIDWEST TRENDS

Two-Year Public Postsecondary Education Institutions

Tuition and Fees

School Year	Annual National Average	National Average Percentage Change	Annual Midwest Region Average	Midwest Region Average Percentage Change
2015-16	3,435	3.0	4,025	3.5
2016-17	3,520	2.5	4,090	1.6
2017-18	3,570	1.4	4,220	3.2
2018-19	3,660	2.5	4,350	3.1
2019-20	3,730	1.9	4,460	2.5
2020-21	3,770	1.1	4,610	3.4
2021-22	3,800	0.8	4,750	3.0
2022-23	3,860	1.6	4,890	2.9
2023-24	3,990	3.4	4,970	1.6
2024-25	4,050	1.5	5,120	3.0

Source: "Trends in College Pricing 2024" by College Board Publications, New York, NY.

Midwest Region includes Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Ohio, West Virginia and Wisconsin.

ITEM J: LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

WTCS Executive Vice President Paul Hammer; WTCS Policy Advisors Megan Stritchko and Brandon Trujillo; DBA Executive Director Diane Handrick

An update on recent state and federal legislative activity affecting the Wisconsin Technical College System will be provided.

ITEM K: ANNOUNCEMENTS/ADJOURN

Board President Mark Tyler

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the WTCS Board is May 20, 2025, at Wisconsin Technical College System, Hill Farms Building in Madison.