

Budget

Celina City (043729) - Mercer County - 2016 - Straight A Fund - Rev 0 - Straight A Fund - Application Number (105)

U.S.A.S. Fund #: 466

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Purpose Code	Object Code	Salaries 100	Retirement Fringe Benefits 200	Purchased Services 400	Supplies 500	Capital Outlay 600	Other 800	Total
Instruction		0.00	0.00	0.00	100,000.00	695,000.00	0.00	795,000.00
Support Services		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Governance/Admin		17,300.00	2,700.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30,000.00
Prof Development		37,500.00	6,000.00	131,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	175,000.00
Family/Community		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Safety		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Facilities		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Transportation		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Indirect Cost							0.00	0.00
Total		54,800.00	8,700.00	141,500.00	100,000.00	695,000.00	0.00	1,000,000.00
							Adjusted Allocation	0.00
							Remaining	-1,000,000.00

Application

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Please respond to the prompts or questions in the areas listed below in a narrative form.

A) APPLICANT INFORMATION - General Information

1. Project Title:
Empowering Students and Enhancing Workforce Development

2. Project Summary: Please limit your responses to no more than three sentences.
Providing a continuum of project/problem based learning opportunities and career readiness for students of all ages and abilities.
This is an ultra-concise description of the overall project. It should only include a brief description of the project and the goals it hopes to achieve.

3. Estimate of total students at each grade level to be directly impacted each year.

*This is the number of students that will receive services or other benefits as a **direct result** of implementing this project. This does not include students that may be impacted if the project is replicated or scaled up in the future. It excludes students who have merely a tangential or indirect benefit (such as students having use of improved facilities, equipment etc. for other uses than those intended as a part of the project). The Grant Year is the year in which funds are received from the Ohio Department of Education. Years 1 through 5 are the sustainability years during which the project must be fiscally and programmatically sustained.*

Grant Year				
0 Pre-K Special Education	0 K	0 1	0 2	0 3
0 4	0 5	0 6	833 7	838 8
844 9	885 10	881 11	810 12	

Year 1				
850 Pre-K Special Education	875 K	818 1	744 2	813 3
766 4	810 5	826 6	839 7	833 8
838 9	844 10	885 11	881 12	

Year 2				
850 Pre-K Special Education	850 K	875 1	818 2	744 3
813 4	766 5	810 6	826 7	839 8
833 9	838 10	844 11	885 12	

Year 3				
850 Pre-K Special Education	850 K	850 1	875 2	818 3
744 4	813 5	766 6	810 7	826 8
839 9	833 10	838 11	844 12	

Year 4				
850 Pre-K Special Education	850 K	850 1	850 2	875 3
818 4	744 5	813 6	766 7	810 8
826 9	839 10	833 11	838 12	

Year 5				
850 Pre-K Special Education	850 K	850 1	850 2	850 3
875 4	818 5	744 6	813 7	766 8

4. Explanation of any additional students to be impacted throughout the life of the project.

This includes any students impacted or estimates of students who might be impacted through future scale-ups or replications that go beyond the scope of this project.

The concepts in this grant proposal can be replicated in other career compacts in the state of Ohio. Eighty districts in the state are members of Career Compacts. All districts collaborate on plans for offering required career-technical programming so the guiding principles of Empowering Students and Enhancing Workforce Development can impact students in the eighty districts who are members of career compacts. 11 other career compacts in Ohio are aware of this project proposal and have shown interest in replication. This would impact an additional 7,383 students. With the addition of three new programs (medical, hospitality and robotics), as determined by the research on workforce needs completed by the economic development directors and career advisory committees from the Tri-Star career compact, the new programs would impact an additional 150 high school students each year. This includes students with developmental disabilities as they access programs for job skills training.

5. Lead applicant primary contact: - Provide the following information:

First and last name of contact for lead applicant
Ken Schmiesing, Superintendent

Organizational name of lead applicant
Celina City Schools

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Phone Number of lead applicant
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Community School Applicants: After your application has been submitted and is in Authorized Representative Approved status an email will be sent to your sponsoring entity automatically informing the sponsor of your application.

6. Are you submitting your application as a consortium? - Select one checkbox below

Yes

No

If you are applying as consortium, please list all consortium members by name on the "Consortium Member" page by clicking on the link below. If an educational service center is applying as the lead applicant for a consortium, the first consortium member entered must be a client district of the educational service center.

[Add Consortium Members](#)

7. Are you partnering with anyone to plan, implement, or evaluate your project? - Select one checkbox below

Yes

No

If you are partnering with anyone, please list all partners (vendors, service providers, sponsors, management companies, schools, districts, ESCs, IHEs) by name on the "Partnering Member" page by clicking on the link below.

[Add Partnering Members](#)

B) PROJECT DESCRIPTION - Overall description of project and alignment with goals

8. Describe the innovative project: - Provide the following information

The response should provide a clear and concise description of the project and its major components. The following questions will address specific outcomes and measures of success.

a. The current state or problem to be solved; and

PROBLEM TO BE ADDRESSED: College & Career Readiness and Workforce Development As the need for new and advanced skill sets in our workforce continues to rapidly grow, our education centers need to adapt and grow with the market demands. Students need to have access to comprehensive resources and support in order to prepare for their future success. Nowhere is this more evident than in the primarily rural region of Northwest Ohio. As a result of the high number of advanced manufacturing and tech-driven companies in this region, approximately 26,000 jobs are directly attributed to these facilities. As the technology and skilled requirements for these positions continue to increase, fewer people are taking advantage of such available careers due to the lack of advanced courses/programs and consolidated training space. To date, this area has been very aggressive at increasing the awareness involving high tech skill sets and their associated careers. However, without the proper programs to coincide with this increase in awareness, the effort will fall short of this region's goal - to

properly connect a trained workforce with local businesses. The aim of the regional goal is to guide students in the nine consortium districts toward the appropriate education and/or training leading to an available career, right here, right now. Several successful collaborative efforts, like field trips to local business for students and staff, as well as a career explorations course have already been developed to assist in overcoming our rural regional challenges. Rather than waiting for the "disconnect" in today's world to grow larger, our region is taking a proactive/collaborative approach to education and skills training that will truly match up with the many advanced companies that already exist in the region.

b. The proposed innovation and how it relates to solving the problem or improving on the current state.

A new project/problem based instructional model will ensure courses are relevant to students and prepares them for whatever career path they choose. Project-based learning hails from a tradition of pedagogy which asserts that students learn best by experiencing and solving real-world problems. According to researchers (Barron & Darling-Hammond, 2008; Thomas, 2000), PBL essentially involves the following: students learning knowledge to tackle realistic problems as they would be solved in the real world; increased student control over his or her learning; teachers serving as coaches and facilitators of inquiry and reflection. Focusing on professional development in project/problem based instruction will assist our schools as we connect our classrooms to the businesses in Auglaize and Mercer Counties. Providing high school students with career choice pathways at Tri-Star that are aligned with local companies workforce need, while also providing college credit through Wright State reduces the time to degree completion for our students-creating a platform for future growth includes incumbent worker training curriculum and programs. 9A Goal: This grant will provide students the education and skill sets they need to be successful in the area workforce while shortening their time to degree completion. A collaboration between Tri-Star and WSU-LC will increase the effectiveness of dual credit or "College Credit Plus" for those students that enroll in the Career Compact. Effective dual credit systems have been linked to positive student impacts at both secondary and postsecondary levels. According to the University of Iowa study, (May 2008), An Analysis of the impact of High School Dual Enrollment Course Participation on Post-Secondary Academic Success, Persistence and Degree Completion, Dr. Joni L. Swanson finds; "The implications of this study's results are clear - dual enrollment should be considered as a viable means to improve students' likelihoods of entering post-secondary education, of continuing in college, and of acquiring degrees." In addition, these programs have the capacity to create systemic collaboration which will be necessary in order for Ohio to meet its college, career-ready and post-secondary completion goals. It is the responsibility of secondary and higher education institutions to work together and think innovatively in order to advance the achievement and success of Ohio's students. Having Wright State University Lake Campus lead this effort with new Tri-Star Career Pathways, we can provide more high school students with the opportunity for career exploration and promoting exposure to relevant STEM and college courses. Through professional development with K-12 teaching staff in the two county area, we will be changing instructional strategies to be project/problem based. This will be accomplished not by hiring personnel, but advancing training for select personnel, so that teachers will be there to follow through as necessary and provide support for implementation throughout districts. 9D Goal: This grant is designed to address the needs of students of all abilities including those with disabilities by partnering with the Board of Developmental Disabilities for workforce transition programs. Senate Bill 316 (2012): transition planning is required to begin formally and be documented in the Individualized Education Program (IEP) by age 14. The IEP must include a post-secondary goal for employment that is based on age-appropriate transition assessments related to employment in a competitive environment in which workers are integrated regardless of disability. Transition assessment affords the opportunity for professionals from across agencies to co-plan and review information that will highlight the youth's needs and skills relevant to building a profile as a future employee. Our shared services model is aligned to the Employment First Founding Statute: all people with DD are capable of community employment.

9. Select which (up to four) of the goals your project will address. For each of the selected goals, please provide the requested information to demonstrate your innovative project. - (Check all that apply)

a. Student achievement

i. List the desired outcomes.

Examples: fewer students retained at 3rd grade, increase in graduation rate, increased proficiency rate in a content area, etc.

Student achievement will be impacted by reducing time to degree completion by connecting college credit options through the current and new career compact programs, with career pathways currently offered at Wright State University. These college credit options are currently not available to most students at their high schools. Students will graduate with both core courses completed and college credits that transfer to save both time and money. This enables us to provide more college class offerings to all students not just those who are college-bound and following the traditional college prep track at their local school districts. These programs also have the added benefit of creating a reliable and seamless bridge for students to transition from high school into post-secondary endeavors thus creating potentially new and more cost effective pathways for accreditation, 2-year, or 4 year degrees. Training more teachers to be qualified to teach college credit plus courses and/or become adjunct professors will enhance programming. Wright State has the resources to properly certify and prepare teachers in specialized areas to be certified teachers. By using the train the trainer method, all teachers will be trained in the continuum of project/problem based learning opportunities for students in grades 7-12 and many will have the ability to provide professional development in the future. In addition to high school student interactions, workforce pipeline development takes many other forms that need to be expanded upon as well. This grant will provide for the training of our staff to host elementary/middle school events such as Robotics Camps and Science/STEM Fairs which are essential to providing students insight to available career pathways.

ii. What assumptions must be true for this outcome to be realized?

Examples: early diagnosis and intervention are needed to support all children learning to read on grade level; project-based learning results in higher levels of student engagement and learning, etc.

Wright State's investment into a new Advanced Manufacturing Center, Business Degrees, Mechanical & Electrical Engineering, Nursing, Computer Science, and Food/Agriculture Science pathways/degrees, creates a partnership that truly lowers the costs of post-secondary education for students to better themselves and attain the skills necessary for the many careers/jobs that are available in our region. Research by Auglaize and Mercer County Economic Development Directors and data from the Ohio Dept. of Job & Family Services for "Buckeye Top Fifty": 2010-2020 in demand careers support the career pathways outlined in this proposal. Specific employers that need employees with these specific demands in Auglaize and Mercer Counties are as follows: Crown Equipment Corporation: Machinists, Welders, Robotics/automation, Industrial maintenance, IT; Nidec Minster: Machinists, Welders, Robotics/automation, Engineering; AAP: Robotics/automation, Industrial maintenance; SETEX: Robotics/automation, Industrial maintenance; Mercer Health: Nursing - Medical coding, Medical assisting - CMA and STNA - medical support, Dietary/Nutrition; Grand Lake Health: Medical coding/office support, Medical assisting - CMA, STNA - medical support, Dietary/Nutrition; Briarwood, Celina Manor, Gardens -Celina & St. Henry, Elmwood Village,

Auglaize Acres, Otterbein - St. Marys: STNA, Resident assistants, Dietary/Nutrition. Project based learning (PBL) results in higher levels of student engagement, therefore all students taught by teachers who received project based learning professional development will increase levels of achievement. 60 - 65% of Tri Star graduates attend college/training or move into a sustainable career field upon graduation. 90% of our graduates stay in the area for their career. Our graduation rate at Tri Star is 100% compared to Ohio Career Tech students of 98%.

iii. Describe any early efforts you have made to test these assumptions (pilot implementation, etc), or how these are well-supported by the literature.

The current Tri-Star Career Compact (2nd created in the State) has been a successful platform for more than 30 years. As is evident by the number of students successfully taking a wide variety of classes, going on to further their education, and/or being hired by our regional companies, the impact of the education being provided by this Career Compact is real and impactful. Currently, there are 15 programs that support 11 industries. Teacher quality is the most important factor in improving student achievement. Research shows that the single most important factor changing (positive or negative) student achievement is having a "caring, competent and qualified teacher." "There is only one way to increase student achievement" Harry Wong (2014) cited reviews of over "40 years of educational innovations did not find a single innovation that increased student achievement. The only factor that increased student achievement was the significance of a teacher." Providing professional development in project/problem based learning (PBL) will allow our teachers to become more competent and qualified. According to the Buck Institute for Education (BIE): PBL makes school more engaging for students. Today's students, more than ever, often find school to be boring and meaningless. In PBL, students are active, not passive; a project engages their hearts and minds, and provides real-world relevance for learning. PBL improves learning. After completing a project, students understand content more deeply, remember what they learn and retain it longer than is often the case with traditional instruction. Because of this, students who gain content knowledge with PBL are better able to apply what they know and can do to new situations. PBL helps address standards. The Common Core and other present-day standards emphasize real-world application of knowledge and skills, and the development of success skills such as critical thinking/problem solving, collaboration, communication in a variety of media, and speaking and presentation skills. PBL is an effective way to meet these goals. PBL provides opportunities for students to use technology. Students are familiar with and enjoy using a variety of tech tools that are a perfect fit with PBL. With technology, teachers and students can not only find resources and information and create products, but also collaborate more effectively, and connect with experts, partners, and audiences around the world. PBL makes teaching more enjoyable and rewarding. Projects allow teachers to work more closely with active, engaged students doing high-quality, meaningful work, and in many cases to rediscover the joy of learning alongside their students. Wright State University has a great track record for placing teachers and increasing skills through proper state required professional development. There is a current AMBE educational liaison that works with Auglaize and Mercer County guidance counselors to facilitate available resources within the communities. This liaison will pair current students with internship, job shadowing experiences, and other real world opportunities to assist our students in discerning their career options. Hometown Opportunity website, www.hometownopportunity.com, was created to connect local companies with job seekers.

iv. List the specific indicators that you will use to measure progress toward your desired outcome.

These should be measurable changes, not merely the accomplishment of tasks. Example: Teachers will each implement one new project using new collaborative instructional skills, (indicates a change in the classroom) NOT; teachers will be trained in collaborative instruction (which may or may not result in change).

Expected Outcomes: 100% of students in grades 7-12 in all districts will participate in a minimum of two project based learning opportunities each year. Our project/problem based learning trained teachers in each of the nine districts will measure the progress toward project based learning opportunities in their district. 100% of students in elementary schools will be exposed to PBL. 8 monthly meetings of the trained teachers will occur where documentation will be shared including lists of PBL opportunities provided to students; a chance for collaboration with teachers across districts to plan events on common in-service days. 150 students will participate in three new Career Tech programs each year. 45% more students will graduate with completion of industry certifications, and/or college credits. 75% of students in grade 10-12 will have /job shadow/internship completed. Student receiving semester grades of C-D-F in any core course will show one letter grade improvement by the end of the school year.

v. List and describe pertinent data points that you will use to measure student achievement, providing baseline data to be used for future comparison.

Currently, 20% of all teachers are trained in PBL. After the implementation of this grant, 100% of 7-12 teachers will implement two new project-based learning units using collaborative instructional skills. Currently 10% of students in grade 7-12 participate in PBL. After the implementation of this grant, 100% of students in grades 7-12 in all districts will participate in project based learning opportunities. Currently 250 high achieving students are participating in a fast track degree program. After the implementation of this grant, 500 high achieving students participating in new fast-track degree programs each year would be our goal. This would be a 50% increase in grades 9-12 enrollment in college classes through the partnership with Wright State University. Tri-Star would impact an additional 150 high school students per year. Currently there are no robotics camps or science/STEM fairs. After the implementation of this grant we will provide exposure to local high demand jobs through robotics camps and science/STEM fairs. The AMBE educational liaison will organize, develop, and collect data on the number of camp/ fair participants from year to year.

vi. How are you prepared to alter the course of your project if assumptions prove false or outcomes are not realized?

Curriculum Directors will analyze grant objectives with teachers and provide guidance and support to professional learning communities within districts and across districts. Provide additional professional development related to project based learning utilizing the train the trainer model which is sustainable with no additional costs. Career compact administrators will monitor program progress and discuss goals with district/building administrators as well to fully implement grant objectives. The AMBE educational liaison will work with AMBE business partners to assess the skill level of students entering the workforce upon graduation from newly implemented Tri-Star programs. The liaison will also provide methods to enhance the programming to be aligned to workforce need. By having nine school districts already working together for 30 years, the existing Career Compact is already a very efficient and sustainable model.

b. Spending reductions in the 5 year forecast

i. List the desired outcomes.

Examples: lowered facility cost as a result of transition to more efficient systems of heating and lighting, etc.; or cost savings due to transition from

textbook to digital resources for teaching.

ii. What assumptions must be true for this outcome to be realized?

Example: transition to "green energy" solutions produce financial efficiencies, etc.; or available digital resources are equivalent to or better than previously purchased textbooks.

iii. Describe any early efforts you have made to test these assumptions (pilot implementation, etc), or how these are well-supported by the literature.

iv. List the specific indicators that you will use to monitor progress toward your desired outcome.

These should be specific dollar savings amounts. THESE MUST MATCH THE COST SAVINGS AS PROJECTED IN THE FINANCIAL IMPACT TABLE (FIT).

v. List and describe pertinent data points that you will use to measure spending reductions, providing baseline data to be used for future comparison.

vi. How are you prepared to alter the course of your project if assumptions prove false or outcomes are not realized?

c. Utilization of a greater share of resources in the classroom

i. List the desired outcomes.

Example: change the ratio of leadership time spent in response to discipline issues to the time available for curricular leadership.

ii. What assumptions must be true for this outcome to be realized?

Examples: improvements to school and classroom climate will result in fewer disciplinary instances allowing leadership to devote more time to curricular oversight.

iii. Describe any early efforts you have made to test these assumptions (pilot implementation, etc), or how these are well-supported by the literature.

iv. Please provide the most recent instructional spending percentage (from the annual Ohio School Report Card) and discuss any impact you anticipate as a result of this project.

Note: this is the preferred indicator for this goal.

v. List any additional indicators that you will use to monitor progress toward your desired outcome. Provide baseline data if available.

These should be specific outcomes, not just the accomplishment of tasks. Example: fewer instances of playground fighting.

vi. How are you prepared to alter the course of your project if assumptions prove false or outcomes are not realized?

d. Implementing a shared services delivery model

i. List the desired outcomes.

Examples: increase in quality and quantity of employment applications to districts; greater efficiency in delivery of transportation services, etc.

To develop a partnership with Board of Developmental Disabilities in Mercer and Auglaize Counties and transition students to provide real world facilities to be utilized in job skills training to allow transition students to enter the workforce earlier and with improved job skills and preparedness. This will be accomplished through the Tri-Star expansion programs. To expand and enhance our partnership with Auglaize Mercer Business Education Alliance (AMBE) to include a continuum of services for special needs to gifted students. To increase ability to provide resources for quality career advising so students can connect their educational experiences with sound career choices moving forward. Giving one on one individual career guidance based on quality jobs and proper training would be a primary goal of the AMBE educational liaison- which does not exist today. To create an educational center that demonstrates a true K-16 model with real world technologies and operations will help to develop increased awareness and improved connections to the real world opportunities for students of all ages and their parents alike. To increase career opportunities for students with disabilities in transition; thereby, reducing the time from school to work. These students will be workforce ready sooner. This will also increase graduation rates for all nine districts by reducing the number of students in special education programming beyond grade 12.

ii. What assumptions must be true for this outcome to be realized?

Example: neighboring districts have overlapping needs in administrative areas that can be combined to create efficiencies.

We must continue our working relationship with the Board of Developmental Disabilities in Auglaize and Mercer Counties. In an Ohio Longitudinal Transition Study in 2011 by the Department of Education Office for Exceptional Children, it was reported that 7.5% of the special needs population were employed in the hospitality and tourism industry. There is a current AMBE educational liaison that works with Auglaize and Mercer County guidance counselors to facilitate available resources within the communities. This liaison will pair current students with internship, job shadowing experiences, and other real world opportunities to assist our students in discerning their career options. The number of students in transition units will be reduced as they are employed. Due to recent legislation changes, special needs students are being moved from a sheltered workshop to full employment. Extensive repetitive training will be needed to provide a successful transition from the workshop to the world of work.

iii. Describe any early efforts you have made to test these assumptions (pilot implementation, data analysis etc), or how these are well-supported by the literature.

A transition council was formed in October 2015 to develop partnerships with agencies that support the employment of Ohioans with disabilities and provide professional development for special education teachers to support transition for students with disabilities. Current experiences range from transition classes taking job tours to better understand what types of employment are available in our area and to open discussions about what possible job interests. Volunteer job training sites have been developed and utilized in a multitude of businesses throughout the county to allow students to try out different types of environments and get some hands on training with various job skills. These opportunities also help develop the soft skills needed to get and keep a job in the future. Young adults have also had the opportunity to fill in at some of the DD enclaves in our community where they are paid as they get to experience a part time shift. This is an opportunity for supervisors to see how the students handle new work skills. When our students leave, 50% move on to part time competitive employment in the community, work in a community enclave type setting, or are in day programs where job exploration and skill development will continue. Tri-Star is beginning to do preliminary work on increasing opportunities for all students. Programming has been examined in other operational centers and assistance is needed launching new programs. "The Employment First Task Force agencies agree that Ohio needs a coordinated state effort that examines existing practices in our system to identify and address barriers to employment for people with developmental disabilities. In support of the above goal, the Employment First Task Force agencies agree to the following: 1. We shall conduct an examination of our existing funding, policies, practices and roles and responsibilities at a state and local level that support or hinder the community employment of Ohioans with developmental disabilities in order to maximize the use of existing resources and funding streams for services. 2. We shall support the development or review of specific state-level Interagency Agreements between individual Task Force agencies to ensure coordination of services, as appropriate, with the objective of increasing opportunities for community employment for Ohioans with developmental disabilities. 3. We shall review information and data provided from local community planning teams (or other sources) to identify successes and address barriers to community employment. 4. We shall agree to include in our technical guidance to the field, information on increasing employment opportunities for Ohioans with developmental disabilities. 5. We shall agree to promote local participation in multi-agency collaborations to identify community needs, address sustainability of systems and emphasize best practices to improve community employment outcomes. Local MOUs or agreements should support Employment First principles and remove barriers to community employment whenever possible. This includes the braiding of local funds and resources. 6. We shall develop and approve cross-agency tools and processes to share information as appropriate in order to prevent duplication in eligibility, enrollment, assessment and planning. 7. We shall develop a consistent message around skills and competencies of service providers that must be fostered across systems, including training and technical assistance of evidence-based practices. Target outcomes will include building capacity to support effective transitions to employment in the community. 8. We shall serve as members of the Employment First Task Force and agree to actively and consistently participate, and to provide leadership and oversight of this systems change effort. Further, we agree to track and evaluate progress made towards the above goals and revise as necessary." (Ohio Employment First Task Force Principles 2013)

iv. List the specific indicators that you will use to monitor progress toward your desired outcomes.

These should be measurable changes, not the accomplishment of tasks.

Example: consolidation of transportation services between two districts.

There will be full utilization of newly expanded Tri-Star programs in partnership with the Board of Developmental Disabilities for transition students. The Vocational Rehab coordinator will develop a career plan policy all schools will follow when assisting transition students. The Career plans will include visits to Tri-Star expansion programs. Current numbers in programs will be documented and as additional programs are added, data will be collected to determine growth. Students will have a career plan that includes job shadowing experiences, resume writing, and career exploration monitored by special education teachers with support from the AMBE educational liaison. 100% of students with disabilities will receive enhanced career readiness/placement activities. 30% more students will successfully complete college/will be employed in a job with livable wage.

v. List and describe pertinent data points that you will use to evaluate the success of your efforts, providing baseline data to be used for future comparison.

Example: change in the number of school buses or miles travelled.

All students will be surveyed before career planning to create baseline data. 100% of students will have career plans. No students with developmental disabilities are currently participating in career transition programming through Tri-Star career compact. 75% of transition students will participate in job skills training through the newly expanded Tri-Star programs either during the regular programs or through specially designed programming utilizing Tri-Star equipment and facilities. No students with developmental disabilities are currently participating in career transition programming through Tri-Star career compact. 100% of students with disabilities will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of STEM related activities.

vi. How are you prepared to alter the course of your project if assumptions prove false or outcomes are not realized?

If students are unsuccessful in the Tri-Star programs, transition students could access the Tri-Star facilities and equipment outside of the typical Tri-Star programming to meet these students' individual needs in order to prepare them for careers. Additional professional development will be offered to guidance counselors and special education teachers with consultation from the educational liaison. Through the work of the implementation committee, programs will be evaluated. With these results, changes can be made to the program to better meet the needs of students or additional programs can be added to meet the needs of transition students.

10. Which of the following best describes the proposed project? - (Select one)

- a. New - Never before implemented
- b. Existing - Never implemented in your community school or school district but proven successful in other educational environments
- c. Replication - Expansion or new implementation of a previous Straight A Project
- d. Mixed Concept - Incorporates new and existing elements
- e. Established - Elevating or expanding an effective program that is already implemented in your district, school or consortia partnership

C) BUDGET AND SUSTAINABILITY

11. Financial Information: - All applicants must enter or upload the following supporting information. The information in these documents must correspond to your responses in questions 12-19.

a. Enter a project budget in CCIP (by clicking the link below)

[Enter Budget](#)

b. If applicable, upload the Consortium Budget Worksheet (by clicking the Upload Documents link below)

c. Upload the Financial Impact Table (by clicking the Upload Documents link below)

[Upload Documents](#)

The project budget is entered directly in CCIP. For consortia, this project budget must reflect the information provided by the applicant in the Consortium Budget Worksheet. Directions for the Financial Impact Table are located on the first tab of the workbook. Applicants must submit one Financial Impact Table with each application. For consortium applications, please add additional sheets instead of submitting separate Financial Impact Tables.

1,000,000.00 12. What is the amount of this grant request?

13. Provide a brief narrative explanation of the overall budget.

Responses should provide a rationale and evidence for each of the budget items and associated costs outlined in the project budget. In no case should the total projected expenses in the budget narrative exceed the total project costs in the budget grid.

Personal Services/Fringe Benefits: \$20,000 is allocated for stipends for individuals designated as those responsible for the implementation of this grant. This includes two grant administrators, four committee chairpersons and fiscal management. An additional \$43,500 is budgeted for stipends for teachers who participate in project/problem based training and become trainers. There will be a minimum of two trainers for consortium districts of 1000 ADM or less and four trainers for consortium districts of more than 1000 ADM. These teachers will provide professional development beyond the first year of the grant. The total allocation for stipends in salaries is \$54,800 and benefits is \$8,700. Purchased services: \$10,000 is allocated for grant evaluation which will be conducted by an external evaluator. An additional \$121,000 is budgeted in purchased services for vendors who will provide professional development is project/problem based learning. The committee will research project based learning vendors and contract with vendor(s) to provide services. \$10,500 is allocated for vendors to provide professional development specific to robotics equipment for a minimum of one staff per consortium district. The total allocation for purchased service is \$141,500. Materials and Supplies: \$15,000 will purchase consumables for newly developed hospitality and medical programs. \$10,000 will purchase consumables for newly developed robotics program. The remaining \$75,000 is allocated for the purchase of project/problem based units of study to be used in the nine consortium districts. This is \$8,333 per district for the purchase of curriculum. There is a total of \$100,000 allocated for materials and supplies. Capital Outlay: \$90,000 will be used to purchase robotics equipment for each of the nine districts. This equipment will support project/problem based instruction and become "feeder" programs for the Tri-Star Robotics course. \$410,000 will be used to purchase the robotics equipment for new career technical robotics programming. \$500,000 is allocated in capital outlay for Ramtec Robotics equipment. Ten large businesses in the Mercer-Auglaize area site Robotics as one of their top in demand jobs. The following businesses are noted: Crown Equipment Corporation, Nidec Minster, AAP, SETEX. (see letters of support) Therefore, the addition of a robotics program supports the workforce needs in Mercer and Auglaize Counties. Capital Outlay: \$45,000 is allocated for the purchase of medical equipment for the medical program expansion. Both hospitals and all nursing homes in the Mercer-Auglaize area site the need for employees in the medical field. The following businesses are noted: Mercer Health, Grand Lake Health, Briarwood, Celina Manor and Elmwood Village (see letters of support). The addition of a medical program supports the workforce needs in Mercer and Auglaize Counties. Capital Outlay: \$150,000 is allocated for the purchase culinary and hospitality equipment for the newly developed hospitality program. Due to recent legislation changes, special needs students are being moved from a sheltered workshop to full employment. Extensive repetitive training will be needed to provide a successful transition from the workshop to the world of work. No students with developmental disabilities are currently participating in career transition programming through Tri-Star career compact so the addition of this program will support students from the nine consortium districts as well as students with developmental disabilities. The total allocation for Capital Outlay is \$695,000.

14. Please provide an estimate of the total costs associated with maintaining this program through each of the five years following the initial grant implementation year (sustainability costs). This is the sum of expenditures from Section A of the Financial Impact Table.

108,847.00 a. Sustainability Year 1

123,847.00 b. Sustainability Year 2

124,847.00 c. Sustainability Year 3

181,545.00 d. Sustainability Year 4

124,847.00 e. Sustainability Year 5

15. Please provide a narrative explanation of sustainability costs.

Sustainability costs include any ongoing spending related to the grant project after June 30, 2017. Examples of sustainability costs include annual professional development, staffing costs, equipment maintenance, and software license agreements. To every extent possible, rationale for the specific amounts given should be outlined. The costs outlined in this narrative section should be consistent and verified by the financial documentation submitted and explained in the Financial Impact Table. If the project does not have sustainability costs, applicants should explain why.

Participating districts that contract with Tri-Star for educational programming are expected to increase the number of students they enroll in the program. These increased costs are shown in each district's FIT as purchased services. Tri-Star will maintain all equipment and ongoing materials costs for the programs. The only ongoing costs for districts are for the additional service they buy from Tri-Star. Purchased Services: The total ongoing costs for districts is \$99,897 in purchased services each year from Tri-Star. The district breakdown each year is as follows: Celina City Schools: \$22,289 Coldwater Schools: \$15,160 Fort Recovery Local Schools: \$8,132 Marion Local Schools: \$7,430 Minster Local Schools: \$7,731 New Bremen Local Schools: \$7,831 New Knoxville Local Schools: \$3,815 St. Marys City Schools: \$18,373 St. Henry Local Schools: \$9,136

0 16. What percentage of these costs will be met through cost savings achieved through implementation of the program?

Total cost savings from section B of the Financial Impact Table divided by total sustainability cost from section A of the Financial Impact Table. If the calculated amount is greater than 100, enter 100 here.

17. Please explain how these cost savings will be derived from the program.

Applicants who selected spending reductions in the five-year forecast as a goal must identify those expected savings in questions 16 and 17. All spending reductions must be verifiable, permanent, and credible. Explanation of savings must be specific as to staff counts; salary/benefits; equipment costs, etc.

n/a

100 18. What percentage of sustainability costs will be met through reallocation of savings from elsewhere in the general budget?

*Total reallocation from section C of the Financial Impact Table divided by total sustainability cost from section A of the Financial Impact Table
Note: the responses to questions 16 and 18 must total 100%*

19. Please explain the source of these reallocated funds.

Reallocation of funds implies that a reduction has been made elsewhere in the budget. Straight A encourages projects to determine up front what can be replaced in order to ensure the life of the innovative project.

Cost savings from this program will be derived from two methods: Personnel: The cost savings per district related to personnel equate to approximately \$33,123. We anticipate the retirement of a minimum of one staff member in the participating school districts over the next five years in the consortium. Each retiree currently at the highest salary will be replaced with a teacher at a lower salary. This cost reduction will help sustain the additional programming. The total savings from personnel in the nine consortium districts is \$337,601 per year. The district breakdown each year is as follows: Celina City Schools: \$34,164 Coldwater Schools: \$39,500 Fort Recovery Local Schools: \$37,000 Marion Local Schools: \$37,000 Minster Local Schools: \$37,000 New Bremen Local Schools: \$37,000 New Knoxville Local Schools: \$37,000 St. Marys City Schools: \$41,937 St. Henry Local Schools: \$37,000 Professional Development: The costs savings for each district related to professional development is calculated at a savings of \$1,500 per district per year over the five years of the grant. This estimate is low as additional cost saving in the area of professional development can be realized as the train the trainer model will be utilized beyond the scope of this grant. This dollar amount (\$1,500 per district) reflects professional development costs for four teachers at two days each. Each district will have representation at all professional development activities and will be able to continue to train staff members at the local level. The train the trainer model will be utilized with professional development monies received. Each district will have representation at professional development activities and will be able to continue to train staff members at the local level. A savings will be recognized locally at each of the nine districts by a decrease in the amount of cost for professional development. The total savings from professional development in the nine consortium districts per year is \$13,500. The district breakdown each year is as follows: Celina City Schools: \$1,500 Coldwater Schools: \$1,500 Fort Recovery Local Schools: \$1,500 Marion Local Schools: \$1,500 Minster Local Schools: \$1,500 New Bremen Local Schools: \$1,500 New Knoxville Local Schools: \$1,500 St. Marys City Schools: \$1,500 St. Henry Local Schools: \$1,500

D) IMPLEMENTATION

20. Please provide a brief description of the team or individuals responsible for the implementation of this project, including other consortium members or partners.

This response should include a list of qualifications for the applicant and others associated with the grant. Please list key personnel only. If the application is for a consortium or a partnership, the lead should provide information on its ability to manage the grant in an effective and efficient manner. Include the partner/consortium members' qualifications, skills and experience with innovative project implementation and projects of similar scope.

Enter Implementation Key Personnel information by clicking the link below:

[Add Implementation - Key Personnel](#)

For Questions 21-23 please describe each phase of your project including its timeline, and scope of work.

A complete response to these questions will demonstrate awareness of the context in which the project will be implemented and the time it will take to implement the project with fidelity. A strong plan for implementing, communicating and coordinating the project should be apparent, including coordination and communication in and amongst members of the consortium or partnership (if applicable). Not every specific action step need be included, but the outline of the major steps should demonstrate a thoughtful plan for achieving the goals of the project. The timeline should reflect significant and important milestones in an appropriate time frame.

21. Planning

a. Date Range January 2016-June 2016

b. Scope of activities - include all specific completion benchmarks.

January 2016 - Initial meeting with all grant partners and establish the following subcommittees: College-Credit Plus options with Wright State, Project Based Learning Professional Development, Tri-Star Program Expansion, Workforce/DD Transition Programming. Superintendents from Mercer and Auglaize ESCs will organize these meetings and lead the development of committees. February-June 2016 College Credit Plus Committee: Development of class offerings to be offered on campus, through Tri-Star and at local school districts. Begin planning professional development opportunities for teachers to become credentialed to teach college classes. Project Based Learning Professional Development: Investigate and determine best project/problem based learning professional development options. Plan and coordinate Project Based learning professional development for 7-12 staff in nine districts. Tri-Star Program Expansion: Plan recruitment efforts to enroll students in new programs, determine appropriate location for expanded programming and order robotics, medical and hospitality program equipment Workforce/DD Transition Programming: Plan recruitment efforts to enroll students in new programs, collaborate with Mercer and Auglaize Boards of DD to provide additional opportunities for students with disabilities from transitions to workforce. Seek partnerships with business through Auglaize Mercer Business Education Alliance (AMBE) for employment opportunities in local business and industry.

22. Implementation (grant funded start-up activities)

a. Date Range June 2016-July 2017

b. Scope of activities - include all specific completion benchmarks

CCPlus Subcommittee: April-July 2016: Establish articulation agreements WSU for courses aligned to in demand careers. Design credential programs. Aug 16: Students participate in six new CCplus courses w/ WSU. Sept 16-Jan 17: Continue credentialing staff, evaluate new CCPlus courses offered in 2016-17, plan/develop course descriptions for an additional six-eight CCPlus offerings Feb-June 17: Work with guidance staff to inform and enroll students in CCPlus courses for the 2017-2018 school year. Aug 17: Full enrollment in collaboration CCPlus between TriStar and WSU-LC Project Based Learning: July 2016- Project based learning professional development at Wright State Lake Campus for professional development for 7-12 staff in nine districts. Offering multiple sessions in July and Aug 16-Teachers will be trained and the train the trainer model will also be in place to provide training for any new staff that is employed after the training. School year 16-17 - follow up and enhanced learning opportunities of collaboration on project based learning. Tri-Star Expansion: Jan-May 2016: Plan recruitment efforts to enroll students in new programs Sept-Dec 16: Determine appropriate location for expanded programming, order robotics, hospitality, medical equipment. Set up new classrooms Jan- March 17: Evaluate current Tri-Star programming to determine the current enrollment, participation and effectiveness in meeting the needs of the local workforce. Based on results, the least effective program will be discontinued/restructured so staff can be re-assigned/trained to provide instruction in new programs. Jan-March 17: Provide tours to current students, teachers and administrators to promote programs Workforce/DD Transition: Jan-Aug 2016: Collaborate w/ Auglaize/Mercer DD agencies for smooth conversion between center based programs. Work on programming to be offered. Sept-Mar 17: Set up new classroom and train teachers Spring 17: Provide tours to families to promote program

23. Programmatic Sustainability (years following implementation, including institutionalization of program, evaluation and communication of program outcomes)

a. Date Range July 2017- July 2022

b. Scope of activities - include all specific completion benchmarks

Program Leaders will continue to meet with committee chairs and the superintendents from all districts in the consortium annually to review progress toward goals as well as plans for refinement and expansion of programming. COMMUNICATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS DURING THE PROJECT - We will have on-going communication concerning grant activities & monthly meetings to take stock of project progress, make adjustments, & assist other committees in completing project activities/objectives. June 2016-June 2017 - The Advisory Board which consists of the chair from each committee and AMBE will provide quarterly communication among business leaders & schools to promote project activities. More specifically, communication with stakeholders will be as follows: Community and parents: Local media; social media; school /community meetings; brochures targeted to parents/students Students: Information from guidance counselors Teachers: HQ Professional development; PLCs; scheduled team/department/staff meetings; blog established Policy makers/School Boards: presentation at board meeting; monthly updates; participation in business symposium Community/Business Leaders: attendance at Business Symposium; Advisory Board participation COMMUNICATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS BEYOND THE PROJECT - July 2017-July 2022 Bi-Annual updated information and progress toward grant goals will be located on the following websites; Mercer County ESC, Auglaize County ESC and Tri-Star Career Compact. More specifically, annual communication with stakeholders will be as follows: Community and parents: Local media; social media; Students: Information from guidance counselors and Tri-Star program directors; Policy makers/School Boards: annual presentation at board meetings.

E) SUBSTANTIAL IMPACT AND LASTING VALUE

24. Describe the expected changes to the instructional and/or organizational practices in your institution.

The response should illustrate the critical instructional and/or organizational changes that will result from implementation of the grant and the impact of these changes. These changes can include permanent changes to current district processes, new processes that will be incorporated or the removal of redundant processes. The response may also outline the expected change in behaviors of individuals (changes to classroom practice, collaboration across district boundaries, changes to a typical work day for specific staff members, etc.). The expected changes should be realistic and significant in moving the institution forward.

Please enter your response below:

Empowering Students and Enhancing Workforce Development is expected to change how students are prepared for making career choices and to also change the time and resources needed to earn post secondary education. The investment of state dollars in this project will have long term results by improving teacher practice/quality. The collaborative nature of this professional development will reduce the need for each of the nine districts to provide yearly professional development opportunities for its staff. The joint efforts will allow employees an opportunity to share successes across school districts. This project will help the local education community find better instructional and assessment practices for developing student critical thinking, problem-solving and communication skills- those qualities vital for students to be successful in careers. In the 21st century workplace and in college, success requires more than basic knowledge and skills. In a project/problem based units of study, students learn how to take initiative and responsibility, build their confidence, solve problems, work in teams, communicate ideas, and manage themselves more effectively. PBL connects students and schools with communities and the real world. PBL provide students with empowering opportunities to make a difference, by solving real problems and addressing real issues. Students learn how to interact with adults and organizations, are exposed to workplaces and adult jobs, and can develop career interests. Another substantial impact for project/problem based learning is the opportunity for parents and community members to be involved in student projects. The professional development opportunities in project/problem based instruction will impact Wright State University's school of education by integrating this knowledge into their teacher preparation program. The future teachers employed in the Auglaize and Mercer County schools will have project/problem based trained teachers as applicants for their open positions which provides long term sustainability of this grant. Providing additional career pathways aligned with college credit bearing courses provides opportunities for all students including students with disabilities and gifted students to be taught the advanced skill sets and attributes employers need. New career technical programming working with a local University will ensure math, science, and other new STEM-related courses are relevant to students and prepares them for whatever career path they truly understand and thus chose to follow. Post graduate education/training and adult education opportunities are also a much needed piece to the ever-changing technological advancements occurring in our companies today. Include incumbent worker training curriculum and programs to such a model and what would result is a platform for future growth. Working collaboratively between a Career Compact, a local University (WSU-LC), and local companies will ensure the needs of local students and companies are better met into the future. Continued collaborate with Auglaize and Mercer Board of DD will assure smooth conversion between center based programs and support transition students to gain employability skills through this new career tech opportunity. The grant project will enable a process/structure by which the education community and business community continues to work in concert to assure all students are progressing successfully from high school to college/career.

25. Please provide the name and contact information for the person and/or organization who will oversee the evaluation of this project.

Projects may be evaluated either internally or externally. However, evaluation must be ongoing throughout the entire period of sustainability and have the capacity to provide the Ohio Department of Education with clear metrics related to each selected goal.

Please enter your response below:

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26. Describe the overall plan for evaluation, including plans for data collection, underlying research rationale, measurement timelines and methods of analysis.

This plan should include the methodology for measuring all of the project outcomes. Applicants should make sure to outline quantitative approaches to assess progress and measure the overall impact of the project proposal. The response should provide a clear outline of the methods, process, timelines and data requirements for the final analysis of the project's progress, success or shortfall. The applicant should provide information on how the lessons learned from the project can and will be shared with other education providers in Ohio. Note: A complete and comprehensive version of the evaluation plan must be submitted to ODE by all selected projects.

The evaluation plan for this grant will take place annually over the next several years following project completion to determine true impact. Data Elements for grant evaluation will include: Number of student participating in Tri-Star 2.0 Expanded Programming, Number of students participating in CC Plus options in partnership with Wright State, Number of students with Developmental Disabilities who are gainfully employed after participation in transition programs, Number of teachers in grades k-12 implementing project/problem based instruction and the number of students participating in PBL. Wright State University students will support the evaluation of this grant and serve as data collection agents and data analysis providers. As information toward goals is collected, data collection days will be built in to a common calendar to provide opportunities for teachers and Wright State students to share results and hypothesize conclusions. Method to measure long- and short-term objectives: For many of the activities of this project, completion will be the measure of success such as equipment purchased, Professional Development delivered, career plans completed, an increase in the number of students receiving college credit. These short-term objectives can be measured not only by completion but also by the number of participants at the activities, students enrolled in course work, students earning college course credit, teacher participating in PD sessions, students participating in shadowing/internship. Long-term measurement will be data collected after the grant period concludes and will include a study of the number of students who complete career plans including shadowing/ internship. Teachers/administrators will be surveyed to report on changes in classroom strategies to incorporate project based inquiry lessons. Feedback from local businesses on success of internship/shadowing will be collected to follow-up on success of workforce job placement. Types of data to be collected Numerical/Student data to be collected: number involved in lessons including project based learning; number enrolled in Tri-Star programs; number earning college credit; number of internship/shadowing experiences; number of completed career plans.

27. Please describe the likelihood that this project, if successful, can be scaled-up, expanded and/or replicated. Include a description of potential replications both within the district or collaborative group, as well as an estimation of the probability that this solution will prove useful to others. Discuss the possibility of publications, etc., to make others aware of what has been learned in this project.

The response should provide an explanation of the time and effort it would take to implement the project in another district, as well as any plans to share lessons learned with other districts. To every extent possible, applicants should outline how this project can become part of a model so that other districts across the state can take advantage of the learnings from this proposed innovative project. If there is a plan to increase the scale and

scope of the project within the district or consortium, it should be noted here.

It is highly likely that this grant can be expanded/scaled-up and replicated over time. This grant represents innovativeness in education by reaching as many students as possible. Establishing true partnerships with K-12 schools, career compacts, higher education and the board of developmental disabilities will result in a better educated and properly skilled workforce. These partnerships can and will be replicated across the state of Ohio. Tri-Star Career Compact directors and Mercer/Auglaize superintendents will publish and present about this innovative project through professional organizations, conferences and workshops. The career compact staff, along with specially trained project/problem based teachers in grades 7-12, will conduct professional development for K-6 staff members in all nine districts. This grant will impact students in all nine districts as teachers will be included in project/problem based staff development annually. Students will be impacted by the change in instruction as teachers infuse the inquiry and project/problem based methods into their science, math, technology, and engineering curriculums as well as in all content areas. The concepts in this grant proposal can be replicated in other career compacts in the state of Ohio. Career compacts are comprised of 2-14 districts. Eighty districts in the state are members of career compacts. All districts in the compact collaborate on plans for offering required career-technical programming so the guiding principles of Empowering Students and Enhancing Workforce Development can impact students in the eighty districts who are members of career compacts. Eleven other career compacts in Ohio are aware of this project proposal and have shown interest in replication. This would impact an additional 7,383 students who currently receive career technical education in these eleven career compacts. The number of student impacted would increase substantially when one considers all the students in the "feeder" districts for these career compacts. We will be collecting data from past graduates and business/industry to determine if we are meeting the needs and providing opportunity for student to be college/career ready. This data can be shared with other Career Compacts to avoid pitfalls as they replicate this model.

By virtue of applying for the Straight A Fund, all applicants agree to participate in the overall evaluation of the Straight A Fund for the duration of the evaluation time frame. The Governing Board of the Straight A Fund reserves the right to conduct an evaluation of the project and request additional information in the form of data, surveys, interviews, focus groups and other related data on behalf of the General Assembly, Governor and other interested parties for an overall evaluation of the Straight A Fund.

PROGRAM ASSURANCES: I agree, on behalf of this applicant, and any or all identified consortium members or partners, that all supporting documents contain information approved by a relevant executive board or its equivalent and to abide by all assurances outlined in the Straight A Assurances (available in the document library section of the CCIP).

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Karen	Smith	Assistant Superintendent, Auglaize County ESC	Program Leads will be members from the two county Educational Service Center Superintendent's offices. The responsibilities of the program leads will be to oversee the four committee chairs and their work toward meeting the goals of the grant. Program leaders will also facilitate (at minimum) quarterly meetings with committee chairpersons.	Teacher, counselor, principal, curriculum director, and assistant superintendent; 44 combined years in education. Participated in grant writing with Auglaize/Mercer administrators to secure two STEM grants. Collaborated with 10 districts to write an Early Literacy Grant.	Participated in grant writing with Auglaize/Mercer administrators to secure two STEM grants. Collaborated with 10 districts to write an Early Literacy Grant.	Masters of Education	5	
Traci	Richard	Vocational Rehab Counselor	Chair the committee for workforce development of individuals with disabilities. Plan recruitment efforts to enroll students in new programs, collaborate with Auglaize and Mercer Boards of DD and other agencies to provide additional opportunities for students with disabilities from transitions to workforce, collaborate to assure smooth conversion between center based programs and gain employability skills through this new career tech opportunity. Continue to work with set up new classrooms, recruitment and hiring qualified teachers, provide tours to current students, teachers and administrators to promote programs.	Traci has been in her current role as a Vocational Rehab Counselor for the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation for more than 15 years.	She has worked with several agencies and service providers for individuals with disabilities. Traci fully understands OOD- Ohioans with Disabilities programing and the laws associated with transition planning and employment.	Bachelors Degree	5	
Mick	Davis	Treasurer, Celina City Schools	Mick will serve as fiscal agent and oversee all budget allocations and grant expenditures for this grant.	20 years of fiscal experience; Three with Celina City Schools. Mick currently oversees the federal program grants for Celina City Schools.	17 years of fiscal experience in business and accounting 3 years as school district treasurer	Bachelors in Finance	5	
Brian	Stetler	Assistant	Chair for the Committee	Career Based	Career Based	Masters in	5	

		Director, Tri-Star Career Compact	for Career Compact Expansion. Plan recruitment efforts to enroll students in new programs, determine appropriate location for expanded programming and order Ramtec Robotics, Medical and Transition Program equipment. Brian will oversee the purchase of equipment for new programming as well as determine appropriate location for expanded programming and order Ramtec Robotics, Hospitality, Medical and Transition Program equipment.	Intervention Teacher for 8 years, Computer Networking Teacher for 7 years Assistant Director of Tri-Star Career Compact for 2 years. Works closely with economic development directors and local business to determine curricular and programming needs to meet workforce demands.	Intervention Teacher for 8 years Computer Networking Teacher for 7 years	Educational Leadership		
Shelly	Vaughn	Superintendent, Mercer County ESC	Program Leads will be members from the two county Educational Service Center Superintendent's offices. The responsibilities of the program leads will be to oversee the four committee chairs and their work toward meeting the goals of the grant. Program leaders will also facilitate (at minimum) quarterly meetings with committee chairpersons.	Teacher, principal, and superintendent; 18 combined years in education. Participated in grant writing with Auglaize/Mercer administrators to secure and implement two STEM grants. Collaborated with 5 districts in three counties to secure and implement RttT Stem grant.	Participated in grant writing with Auglaize/Mercer administrators to secure and implement two STEM grants. Collaborated with 5 districts in three counties to secure and implement RttT STEM grant.	Masters in Education	5	
Karen	Rose	Curriculum Director, Mercer County ESC	Co-Chair of the committee for Project Based Professional Development. Karen will work with the curriculum director in Auglaize County to investigate and determine best project/problem based learning professional development options, implementing train the trainer methods, organize professional development days and provide ongoing support as teachers utilize project/problem based learning in their classrooms.	Four years of experience as Curriculum Director; planned and facilitated professional development in over 20 districts	Four years of experience as Curriculum Director; planned and facilitated professional development in over 20 districts.	Masters in Instructional Leadership	5	
Julie	Miller	Development Officer, Wright State University Lake Campus	Chair the committee for College Credit Plus and Partnership with Wright State University to plan and implement	BA in organizational leadership, Masters in Management, Innovation and Change, Julie has been the	Julie has been the Development Officer for Wright State University for more than 10	BA in Organizational Leadership and Masters in Management	5	

			expanded college credit plus options aligned to career technical programming as well as in the nine consortium districts.	Development Officer for Wright State University for more than 10 years, She is the president of the Western Ohio Educational Foundation as well as the Director of the Business Enterprise Center.	years, She is the president of the Western Ohio Educational Foundation as well as the Director of the Business Enterprise Center. Two years ago, she planned and implemented the addition of a four year degree program in engineering at Wright State Lake Campus.			
Mary	Riepenhoff	Curriculum Director, Auglaize County ESC	Co-Chair of the committee for Project Based Professional Development. Karen will work with the curriculum director in Mercer County to investigate and determine best project/problem based learning professional development options, implementing train the trainer methods, organize professional development days and provide ongoing support as teachers utilize project/problem based learning in their classrooms.	Mary has been a teacher, principal, superintendent, Regional RttT Regional Specialist, as well as a curriculum director. She has over 30 years of experience in education. She had written and implemented numerous grants while in her role as principal and superintendent. Her role as a RttT Regional Specialist provided her with a wealth of experience related to grant implementation.	Mary has been a teacher, principal, superintendent, Regional RttT Regional Specialist, as well as a curriculum director. She has over 30 years of experience in education.	Master in Educational Leadership and currently pursuing her Doctorate Degree	5	