

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2020-21

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Walton County School District - Innovation Center Empowering
2. Date of Submission: 11/14/2019
3. House Member Sponsor: Brad Drake
Members Copied:

4. DETAILS OF AMOUNT REQUESTED:

- a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No
If answer to 4a is "No" skip 4b and 4c and proceed to 4d, Col. E
- b. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?
- c. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?
- d. Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request:

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2019-20 <i>(If appropriated in 2019-20 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)</i>			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2020-21 <i>(Requests for additional RECURRING funds are prohibited.)</i>		
Column:	A	B	C	D	E	F
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated <i>(Recurring plus Nonrecurring: column A + column B)</i>	Recurring Base Budget <i>(Will equal non-vetoed amounts provided in Column A)</i>	Additional Nonrecurring Request	TOTAL Nonrecurring plus Recurring Base Funds <i>(Will equal the amount from the Recurring base in Column D plus the Additional Nonrecurring Request in Column E.)</i>
Input Amounts:					500,000	500,000

5. Are funds for this issue requested in a state agency's Legislative Budget Request submitted for FY 2020-21? No
 - 5a. If yes, which state agency?
 - 5b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested? Department of Education
 - 5c. Has the appropriate state agency for administering the funding, if the request were appropriated, been contacted? No
 - 5d. Describe penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures which the agency should provide in its contract to administer the funding if appropriated.

Proposed penalties for failure to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract include: withholding of funds and liquidation of damages.

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Russell Hughes
- b. Organization: Walton County School District
- c. Email: HughesR@walton.k12.fl.us
- d. Phone #: (850)892-1100

7. Contact for questions about specific technical or financial details about the project:

- a. Name: Russell Hughes
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8. Is there a registered lobbyist working to secure funding for this project?

- a. Name: Kelly Horton
- b. Firm: Heffley & Associates
- c. Email: kelly@heffleyassociates.com
- d. Phone #: (850)251-8400

9. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

- a. Name: Walton County School Board
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Walton
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Bay, Okaloosa, Walton

10. What type of organization is the entity that will receive the funds? (Select one)

- For Profit
- Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- Local Government
- University or College

Other (Please describe)

11. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds being requested?

This project proposes to address the need for this rapidly growing region to provide a multi-use/multi-purpose, collaborative workspace/center linking education and business/industry and focused on meeting the talent supply and workforce development needs of the area. The facility will be equipped with resources for use by students enrolled in the STEAM Magnet 9-12 Innovation Academy (engineering pathways), for postsecondary students enrolling in IT and business, and for business and industry.

12. Provide specific details on how funds will be spent. (Select all that apply)

Spending Category	Description	Nonrecurring (Should equal 4d, Col. E) Enter "0" if request is zero for the category
Administrative Costs:		
<input type="checkbox"/> a. Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
<input type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Renovation of large portable building to include installation of safety features (e.g., electronic entry, safety fencing - building located on public school campus). Renovation would	500,000

	include entry lobby and meeting rooms for general community/business & industry use. School district has been renovating two facilities on the campus for use as 9-12 magnet innovation center and technical college classrooms.	
TOTAL		500,000

13. For the Fixed Capital Costs requested with this issue (In Question 12, category “h. Fixed Capital Outlay” was selected), what type of ownership will the facility be under when complete? (Select one correct option)

- For Profit
- Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- Local Government (e.g., police, fire or local government buildings, local roads, etc.)
- State agency owned facility (For example: college or university facility, buildings for public schools, roads in the state transportation system, etc.)
- Other (Please describe)

14. Is the project request an information technology project?

No

15. Is there any documented show of support for the requested project in the community including public hearings, letters of support, major organizational backing, or other expressions of support?

Yes

15a. Please Describe:

Letters of Support/ Organizational Backing: Career Source, Okaloosa-Walton, Emerald Coast Technical College, Linda Sumblin- NWFL Career Pathways, The St. Joe Company, Walton County Chamber of Commerce, Homeless and Housing Alliance-Walton County

16. Has the need for the funds been documented by a study, completed by an independent 3rd party, for the area to be served?

Yes

16a. Please Describe:

Northwest Florida Forward, A Regional Strategy for Economic Transformation... "a candid evaluation of the 13 county region's economic development challenges and opportunities, informed by quantitative analysis...." includes these goals addressed by this project: Talent, Business Vitality, and Entrepreneurship and Innovation.

17. Will the requested funds be used directly for services to citizens?

Yes

17a. What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the purpose of the funds?

This project proposes to construct a facility space for education and training that will focus on providing STEAM / STEM training and industry certification including engineering pathways and IT for 9-12 and postsecondary (technical college) students and will offer re-skilling and up-skilling for adults entering/already in the workforce. The facility will provide accommodations for community resources, leadership development, and collaborative workspaces that bring together le

17b. Describe the direct services to be provided to the citizens by the funding requested.

To meet the growing need for a readily available talent supply, rigorous courses in engineering pathways and IT will be provided along with preparation for appropriate industry certification for students. Courses and programs to train/retrain area workers for currently needed skills will be offered by the technical college and directly by area businesses.

17c. Describe the target population to be served (i.e., "the majority of the funds requested will serve these target populations or groups.").

Select all that apply to the target population:

- Elderly persons
- Persons with poor mental health
- Persons with poor physical health
- Jobless persons
- Economically disadvantaged persons
- At-risk youth
- Homeless
- Developmentally disabled
- Physically disabled
- Drug users (in health services)
- Preschool students
- Grade school students
- High school students
- University/college students
- Currently or formerly incarcerated persons

- Drug offenders (in criminal Justice)
- Victims of crime
- General (The majority of the funds will benefit no specific group)
- Other (Please describe): Business & Industry; Economic Development; General Community

17d. How many in the target population are expected to be served?

- < 25
- 25-50
- 51-100
- 101-200
- 201-400
- 401-800
- >800

18. What benefits or outcomes will be realized by the expenditure of funds requested? (Select each Benefit/Outcome that applies)

Benefit or Outcome	Provide a specific measure of the benefit or outcome	Describe the method for measuring level of benefit
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enrich cultural experience		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve agricultural production/promotion/education		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve quality of education	Expanded access to workforce education services	Record the number of students who enroll in workforce education programs through the innovation center
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance/preserve/improve environmental or fish and wildlife quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)		

<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism		
<input type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse		
<input type="checkbox"/> Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve wastewater management		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve stormwater management		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve groundwater quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve drinking water quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve surface water quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe):		

19. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2020-21 from all sources of funding (Enter "0" if amount is zero):

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent of Total	Are the other sources of funds guaranteed in writing?
1. Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations Project Request:	500,000	21.1%	N/A
2. Federal:	0	0.0%	No
3. State: (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d,	0	0.0%	No

Column F)			
4. Local:	1,600,000	67.5%	Yes
5. Other:	270,000	11.4%	Yes
TOTAL	2,370,000	100%	

20. Is this a multi-year project requiring funding from the state for more than one year?

No