Blount County Government

Budget Amendment Request Department: GPSF FY 22-23 Account: 141-71300 Type of Amendment: (check one) (no overall change to adopted budget) Transfer (reducing adopted budget due to unforeseen effect on "revenue" or "expense") Decrease (raising adopted budget due to unforeseen effect on "revenue" or "expense") ✓ Increase Adjustment (correction to adopted budget due to "grant award" or "budgetary adjustment") ***IF an Increase or Decrease, a memo explaining the need or purpose MUST accompany amendment form*** Amount Description **Account Number** TO 94,558.00 CTE Instructional supplies 141-71300-542900 600.00 Professional Development 141-71300-552400 **TOTAL** 95,158.00 Amount Description Account Number FROM 95,158.00 Other State Grants 141-00000-469800 95.158.00 **TOTAL** Explanation: Appropriate funds for "Supporting Postsecondary access in Rural Communities (SPARC)" grant initiatives for the advancement

Signature of County Mayor/Date Signature of Official/Department Head/Date

Approved By The

Board of Education 1-5-23

of Career & Technical (CTE) programs.



GOVERNMENTAL GRANT CONTRACT
(cost reimbursement grant contract with a federal or Tennessee local governmental entity or their agents and instrumentalities)

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GRANT CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, TENNESSEE HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION AND BLOUNT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

This grant contract ("Grant Contract"), by and between the State of Tennessee, Tennessee Higher Education Commission, hereinafter referred to as "THEC", "State", or the "Grantor State Agency" and Grantee Blount County Board of Education, hereinafter referred to as the "Grantee," is for the provision of the advancement of Career & Technical Education (CTE) programs in rural Tennessee communities, as further defined in the "SCOPE OF SERVICES AND DELIVERABLES."

Grantee Edison Vendor ID # 0000004155

A. SCOPE OF SERVICES AND DELIVERABLES:

- A.1. The Grantee shall provide the scope of services and deliverables ("Scope") as required, described, and detailed in this Grant Contract.
- A.2. SPARC: Supporting Postsecondary Access in Rural Communities. The SPARC grant initiative is a non-competitive intervention project focused on the advancement of Career & Technical Education (CTE) programs in ninety-one (91) distinct Tennessee counties or communities. The project is a targeted initiative to engage in K-12 leadership and CTE administrators in an effort to bridge, if not resolve, three (3) identified areas of need:
 - a. Current infrastructure and facility modifications necessary to accommodate program and equipment modification;
 - Update equipment, program materials, and program supplies for current and developing CTE offerings at the school(s) selected by THEC that meet the criteria for inclusion in SPARC as outlined in this Section;
 - c. The development and implementation of industry credentialing, work-based learning, and dual enrollment opportunities at the high school or in partnering with the appropriate postsecondary institution partners.

The selected schools for the Grantee include: William Blount High School, Eagleton College and Career Academy, and Heritage High School.

As such, the grant funds awarded and budgeted within this initiative and contract shall be used to address the identified areas of need as determined by the Grantee, as specified in the budget allocations identified in Attachment A.

- A.3. <u>Incorporation of Additional Documents</u>. Each of the following documents is included as a part of this Grant Contract by reference or attachment. In the event of a discrepancy or ambiguity regarding the Grantee's duties, responsibilities, and performance hereunder, these items shall govern in order of precedence below.
 - this Grant Contract document with any attachments or exhibits (excluding the items listed at subsections b. and c., below);
 - b. the Parent/Child Information document (Attachment B);
 - c. the Notice of Audit Report (Attachment C);
 - d. the State grant RFI solicitation (Attachment D) as may be amended, if any;

- e. the Grantee's response to RFI (Attachment E) incorporated to elaborate supplementary scope of services specifications; and,
- f. any communication with Grantee regarding changes in the Grantee's proposal (Attachment F).
- A.4. Reporting. The Grantee shall submit quarterly progress reports on measurable objectives for each phase of the project. Quarterly reporting will begin with the quarter ending January 31, 2023, and will continue through the close out of the grant based on the reporting calendar established by THEC.
- A.5. <u>Site Visits</u>. Grantee will permit THEC to perform site visits as deemed necessary. When applicable, THEC will notify Grantee of any documentation, equipment, or other items THEC will review during the visit.

B. TERM OF CONTRACT:

This Grant Contract shall be effective on January 15, 2023 ("Effective Date") and ending on December 31, 2024 ("Term"). The State shall have no obligation to the Grantee for fulfillment of the Scope outside the Term.

B.1. Renewal Options. This Grant Contract may be renewed upon satisfactory completion of the Term. The State reserves the right to execute up to one (1) renewal option under the same terms and conditions for a period not to exceed twelve (12) months each by the State, at the State's sole option. In no event, however, shall the maximum Term, including all renewals or extensions, exceed a total of sixty (60) months.

C. PAYMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- C.1. Maximum Liability. In no event shall the maximum liability of the State under this Grant Contract exceed Ninety-Five Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Eight Dollars (\$95,158.00) ("Maximum Liability"). The Grant Budget, attached and incorporated as Attachment A is the maximum amount due the Grantee under this Grant Contract. The Grant Budget line-items include, but are not limited to, all applicable taxes, fees, overhead, and all other direct and indirect costs incurred or to be incurred by the Grantee.
- C.2. Compensation Firm. The Maximum Liability of the State is not subject to escalation for any reason unless amended. The Grant Budget amounts are firm for the duration of the Grant Contract and are not subject to escalation for any reason unless amended, except as provided in Section C.6.
- C.3. Payment Methodology Total Advance Payment. The Grantee shall be reimbursed for actual, reasonable, and necessary costs based upon the Grant Budget, not to exceed the maximum liability established in section C.1. Payment to the Grantee shall be a lump sum made in advance upon approval of this Grant Contract.
- C.4. <u>Travel Compensation</u>. Reimbursement to the Grantee for travel, meals, or lodging shall be subject to amounts and limitations specified in the "State Comprehensive Travel Regulations," as they are amended from time to time, and shall be contingent upon and limited by the Grant Budget funding for said reimbursement.

C.5. Reserved.

C.6. <u>Budget Line-item:</u> Expenditures, reimbursements, and payments under this Grant Contract shall adhere to the Grant Budget. The Grantee may request revisions of Grant Budget line-items by letter, giving full details supporting such request, provided that such revisions do not increase total

Grant Budget amount. Grant Budget line-item revisions may not be made without prior, written approval of the State in which the terms of the approved revisions are explicitly set forth. Any increase in the total Grant Budget amount shall require a Grant Contract amendment.

- C.7. <u>Disbursement Reconciliation and Close Out</u>. The Grantee shall submit any final invoice and a grant disbursement reconciliation report within sixty (60) days of the Grant Contract end date, in form and substance acceptable to the State.
 - a. If total disbursements by the State pursuant to this Grant Contract exceed the amounts permitted by the section C, payment terms and conditions of this Grant Contract, the Grantee shall refund the difference to the State. The Grantee shall submit the refund with the final grant disbursement reconciliation report.
 - b. The State shall not be responsible for the payment of any invoice submitted to the State after the grant disbursement reconciliation report. The State will not deem any Grantee costs submitted for reimbursement after the grant disbursement reconciliation report to be allowable and reimbursable by the State, and such invoices will NOT be paid.
 - c. The Grantee's failure to provide a final grant disbursement reconciliation report to the State as required by this Grant Contract shall result in the Grantee being deemed ineligible for reimbursement under this Grant Contract, and the Grantee shall be required to refund any and all payments by the State pursuant to this Grant Contract.
 - d. The Grantee must close out its accounting records at the end of the Term in such a way that reimbursable expenditures and revenue collections are NOT carried forward.
- C.8. Indirect Cost. Should the Grantee request reimbursement for indirect costs, the Grantee must submit to the State a copy of the indirect cost rate approved by the cognizant federal agency or the cognizant state agency, as applicable. The Grantee will be reimbursed for indirect costs in accordance with the approved indirect cost rate and amounts and limitations specified in the attached Grant Budget. Once the Grantee makes an election and treats a given cost as direct or indirect, it must apply that treatment consistently and may not change during the Term. Any changes in the approved indirect cost rate must have prior approval of the cognizant federal agency or the cognizant state agency, as applicable. If the indirect cost rate is provisional during the Term, once the rate becomes final, the Grantee agrees to remit any overpayment of funds to the State, and subject to the availability of funds the State agrees to remit any underpayment to the Grantee.
- C.9. <u>Cost Allocation</u>. If any part of the costs to be reimbursed under this Grant Contract are joint costs involving allocation to more than one program or activity, such costs shall be allocated and reported in accordance with the provisions of Department of Finance and Administration Policy Statement 03 or any amendments or revisions made to this policy statement during the Term.
- C.10. Payment of Invoice. A payment by the State shall not prejudice the State's right to object to or question any reimbursement, invoice, or related matter. A payment by the State shall not be construed as acceptance of any part of the work or service provided or as approval of any amount as an allowable cost.
- C.11. Non-allowable Costs. Any amounts payable to the Grantee shall be subject to reduction for amounts included in any invoice or payment that are determined by the State, on the basis of audits or monitoring conducted in accordance with the terms of this Grant Contract, to constitute unallowable costs.
- C.12. <u>State's Right to Set Off.</u> The State reserves the right to set off or deduct from amounts that are or shall become due and payable to the Grantee under this Grant Contract or under any other agreement between the Grantee and the State of Tennessee under which the Grantee has a right to receive payment from the State.

- C.13. <u>Prerequisite Documentation</u>. The Grantee shall not invoice the State under this Grant Contract until the State has received the following, properly completed documentation.
 - a. The Grantee shall complete, sign, and return to the State an "Authorization Agreement for Automatic Deposit (ACH Credits) Form" provided by the State. By doing so, the Grantee acknowledges and agrees that, once this form is received by the State, all payments to the Grantee under this or any other grant contract will be made by automated clearing house ("ACH").
 - b. The Grantee shall complete, sign, and return to the State the State-provided W-9 form. The taxpayer identification number on the W-9 form must be the same as the Grantee's Federal Employer Identification Number or Social Security Number referenced in the Grantee's Edison registration information.

D. STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- D.1. Required Approvals. The State is not bound by this Grant Contract until it is signed by the parties and approved by appropriate officials in accordance with applicable Tennessee laws and regulations (depending upon the specifics of this Grant Contract, the officials may include, but are not limited to, the Commissioner of Finance and Administration, the Commissioner of Human Resources, and the Comptroller of the Treasury).
- D.2. Modification and Amendment. This Grant Contract may be modified only by a written amendment signed by all parties and approved by the officials who approved the Grant Contract and, depending upon the specifics of the Grant Contract as amended, any additional officials required by Tennessee laws and regulations (the officials may include, but are not limited to, the Commissioner of Finance and Administration, the Commissioner of Human Resources, and the Comptroller of the Treasury).
- D.3. Termination for Convenience. The State may terminate this Grant Contract without cause for any reason. A termination for convenience shall not be a breach of this Grant Contract by the State. The State shall give the Grantee at least thirty (30) days written notice before the effective termination date. The Grantee shall be entitled to compensation for authorized expenditures and satisfactory services completed as of the termination date, but in no event shall the State be liable to the Grantee for compensation for any service that has not been rendered. The final decision as to the amount for which the State is liable shall be determined by the State. The Grantee shall not have any right to any actual general, special, incidental, consequential, or any other damages whatsoever of any description or amount for the State's exercise of its right to terminate for convenience.
- D.4. <u>Termination for Cause</u>. If the Grantee fails to properly perform its obligations under this Grant Contract, or if the Grantee violates any terms of this Grant Contract, the State shall have the right to immediately terminate this Grant Contract and withhold payments in excess of fair compensation for completed services. Notwithstanding the exercise of the State's right to terminate this Grant Contract for cause, the Grantee shall not be relieved of liability to the State for damages sustained by virtue of any breach of this Grant Contract by the Grantee.
- D.5. <u>Subcontracting</u>. The Grantee shall not assign this Grant Contract or enter into a subcontract for any of the services performed under this Grant Contract without obtaining the prior written approval of the State. If such subcontracts are approved by the State, each shall contain, at a minimum, sections of this Grant Contract pertaining to "Conflicts of Interest," "Lobbying," "Nondiscrimination," "Public Accountability," "Public Notice," and "Records" (as identified by the section headings). Notwithstanding any use of approved subcontractors, the Grantee shall remain responsible for all work performed.

- D.6. Conflicts of Interest. The Grantee warrants that no part of the total Grant Contract Amount except for the limited purpose of paying Tennessee College of Applied Technology (TCATs) to accomplish the purpose of this program as set forth in A.2.(c), shall be paid directly or indirectly to an employee or official of the State of Tennessee as wages, compensation, or gifts in exchange for acting as an officer, agent, employee, subcontractor, or consultant to the Grantee in connection with any work contemplated or performed relative to this Grant Contract.
- D.7. Lobbying. The Grantee certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that:
 - a. No federally appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
 - b. If any funds other than federally appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the Grantee shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.
 - c. The Grantee shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into and is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. § 1352.

D.8. <u>Communications and Contacts</u>. All instructions, notices, consents, demands, or other communications required or contemplated by this Grant Contract shall be in writing and shall be made by certified, first class mail, return receipt requested and postage prepaid, by overnight courier service with an asset tracking system, or by email or facsimile transmission with recipient confirmation. All communications, regardless of method of transmission, shall be addressed to the respective party as set out below:

The State:

Mitch Currey, Senior Director of Workforce and Economic Development Tennessee Higher Education Commission 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave.

9th Floor, TN Tower
Nashville, TN 37243

Mitch.Currey@tn.gov
Telephone: 615.741.1072

Dr. Brandon Hudson, Senior Director of Workforce and Economic Development Tennessee Higher Education Commission 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave.

9th Floor, TN Tower
Nashville, TN 37243
Brandon.Hudson@tn.gov

Telephone: 615.741.7575

THEC Fiscal:

Jason Cavender, Chief Financial Officer Tennessee Higher Education Commission 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave. 9th Floor, TN Tower Nashville, TN 37243 Jason.Cavender@tn.gov Telephone: 615.532.8303

The Grantee:

Alisa Teffeteller Blount County Board of Education 831 Grandview Dr. Maryville, TN 37803 Alisa.Teffeteller@blountk12.org Telephone: 865.984.1212

A change to the above contact information requires written notice to the person designated by the other party to receive notice.

All instructions, notices, consents, demands, or other communications shall be considered effectively given upon receipt or recipient confirmation as may be required.

- D.9. Subject to Funds Availability. This Grant Contract is subject to the appropriation and availability of State or Federal funds. In the event that the funds are not appropriated or are otherwise unavailable, the State reserves the right to terminate this Grant Contract upon written notice to the Grantee. The State's right to terminate this Grant Contract due to lack of funds is not a breach of this Grant Contract by the State. Upon receipt of the written notice, the Grantee shall cease all work associated with the Grant Contract. Should such an event occur, the Grantee shall be entitled to compensation for all satisfactory and authorized services completed as of the termination date. Upon such termination, the Grantee shall have no right to recover from the State any actual, general, special, incidental, consequential, or any other damages whatsoever of any description or amount.
- D.10. Nondiscrimination. The Grantee hereby agrees, warrants, and assures that no person shall be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the performance of this Grant Contract or in the employment practices of the Grantee on the grounds of handicap or disability, age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or any other classification protected by federal, Tennessee state constitutional, or statutory law. The Grantee shall, upon request, show proof of nondiscrimination and shall post in conspicuous places, available to all employees and applicants, notices of nondiscrimination.
- D.11. <u>HIPAA Compliance</u>. The State and the Grantee shall comply with obligations under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH) and any other relevant laws and regulations regarding privacy (collectively the "Privacy Rules"). The obligations set forth in this Section shall survive the termination of this Grant Contract.
 - a. The Grantee warrants to the State that it is familiar with the requirements of the Privacy Rules and will comply with all applicable HIPAA requirements in the course of this Grant Contract.

- b. The Grantee warrants that it will cooperate with the State, including cooperation and coordination with State privacy officials and other compliance officers required by the Privacy Rules, in the course of performance of this Grant Contract so that both parties will be in compliance with the Privacy Rules.
- c. The State and the Grantee will sign documents, including but not limited to business associate agreements, as required by the Privacy Rules and that are reasonably necessary to keep the State and the Grantee in compliance with the Privacy Rules. This provision shall not apply if information received by the State under this Grant Contract is NOT "protected health information" as defined by the Privacy Rules, or if the Privacy Rules permit the State to receive such information without entering into a business associate agreement or signing another such document.
- D.12. Public Accountability. If the Grantee is subject to Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-4-401 et seq., or if this Grant Contract involves the provision of services to citizens by the Grantee on behalf of the State, the Grantee agrees to establish a system through which recipients of services may present grievances about the operation of the service program. The Grantee shall also display in a prominent place, located near the passageway through which the public enters in order to receive Grant supported services, a sign at least eleven inches (11") in height and seventeen inches (17") in width stating:

NOTICE: THIS AGENCY IS A RECIPIENT OF TAXPAYER FUNDING. IF YOU OBSERVE AN AGENCY DIRECTOR OR EMPLOYEE ENGAGING IN ANY ACTIVITY WHICH YOU CONSIDER TO BE ILLEGAL, IMPROPER, OR WASTEFUL, PLEASE CALL THE STATE COMPTROLLER'S TOLL-FREE HOTLINE: 1-800-232-5454.

The sign shall be on the form prescribed by the Comptroller of the Treasury. The Grantor State Agency shall obtain copies of the sign from the Comptroller of the Treasury, and upon request from the Grantee, provide Grantee with any necessary signs.

- D.13. Public Notice. All notices, informational pamphlets, press releases, research reports, signs, and similar public notices prepared and released by the Grantee in relation to this Grant Contract shall include the statement, "This project is funded under a grant contract with the State of Tennessee." All notices by the Grantee in relation to this Grant Contract shall be approved by the State.
- D.14. <u>Licensure</u>. The Grantee, its employees, and any approved subcontractor shall be licensed pursuant to all applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations and shall upon request provide proof of all licenses.
- D.15. Records. The Grantee and any approved subcontractor shall maintain documentation for all charges under this Grant Contract. The books, records, and documents of the Grantee and any approved subcontractor, insofar as they relate to work performed or money received under this Grant Contract, shall be maintained in accordance with applicable Tennessee law. In no case shall the records be maintained for a period of less than five (5) full years from the date of the final payment. The Grantee's records shall be subject to audit at any reasonable time and upon reasonable notice by the Grantor State Agency, the Comptroller of the Treasury, or their duly appointed representatives.

The records shall be maintained in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Accounting Standards or the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification, as applicable, and any related AICPA Industry Audit and Accounting guides.

In addition, documentation of grant applications, budgets, reports, awards, and expenditures will be maintained in accordance with U.S. Office of Management and Budget's *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*.

Grant expenditures shall be made in accordance with local government purchasing policies and procedures and purchasing procedures for local governments authorized under state law.

The Grantee shall also comply with any recordkeeping and reporting requirements prescribed by the Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury.

The Grantee shall establish a system of internal controls that utilize the COSO Internal Control - Integrated Framework model as the basic foundation for the internal control system. The Grantee shall incorporate any additional Comptroller of the Treasury directives into its internal control system.

Any other required records or reports which are not contemplated in the above standards shall follow the format designated by the head of the Grantor State Agency, the Central Procurement Office, or the Commissioner of Finance and Administration of the State of Tennessee.

- D.16. Monitoring. The Grantee's activities conducted and records maintained pursuant to this Grant Contract shall be subject to monitoring and evaluation by the State, the Comptroller of the Treasury, or their duly appointed representatives.
- D.17. Progress Reports. The Grantee shall submit brief, periodic, progress reports to the State as requested.
- D.18. Annual and Final Reports. The Grantee shall submit, within three (3) months of the conclusion of each year of the Term, an annual report. For grant contracts with a term of less than one (1) year, the Grantee shall submit a final report within three (3) months of the conclusion of the Term. For grant contracts with multiyear terms, the final report will take the place of the annual report for the final year of the Term. The Grantee shall submit annual and final reports to the Grantor State Agency. At minimum, annual and final reports shall include: (a) the Grantee's name; (b) the Grant Contract's Edison identification number, Term, and total amount; (c) a narrative section that describes the program's goals, outcomes, successes and setbacks, whether the Grantee used benchmarks or indicators to determine progress, and whether any proposed activities were not completed; and (d) other relevant details requested by the Grantor State Agency. Annual and final report documents to be completed by the Grantee shall appear on the Grantor State Agency's website or as an attachment to the Grant Contract.
- D.19. Audit Report. The Grantee shall be audited in accordance with applicable Tennessee law.

If the Grantee is subject to an audit under this provision, then the Grantee shall complete Attachment C.

When a federal single audit is required, the audit shall be performed in accordance with U.S. Office of Management and Budget's *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*.

A copy of the audit report shall be provided to the Comptroller by the licensed, independent public accountant. Audit reports shall be made available to the public.

D.20. Procurement. If other terms of this Grant Contract allow reimbursement for the cost of goods, materials, supplies, equipment, or contracted services, such procurement shall be made on a competitive basis, including the use of competitive bidding procedures, where practical. The Grantee shall maintain documentation for the basis of each procurement for which reimbursement is paid pursuant to this Grant Contract. In each instance where it is determined that use of a competitive procurement method is not practical, supporting documentation shall include a written justification for the decision and for use of a non-competitive procurement. If the Grantee is a subrecipient, the Grantee shall comply with 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.317—200.326 when procuring property and services under a federal award.

The Grantee shall obtain prior approval from the State before purchasing any equipment under this Grant Contract.

For purposes of this Grant Contract, the term "equipment" shall include any article of nonexpendable, tangible, personal property having a useful life of more than one year and an acquisition cost which equals or exceeds five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00).

- D.21. Strict Performance. Failure by any party to this Grant Contract to insist in any one or more cases upon the strict performance of any of the terms, covenants, conditions, or provisions of this Grant Contract is not a waiver or relinquishment of any term, covenant, condition, or provision. No term or condition of this Grant Contract shall be held to be waived, modified, or deleted except by a written amendment signed by the parties.
- D.22. Independent Contractor. The parties shall not act as employees, partners, joint venturers, or associates of one another in the performance of this Grant Contract. The parties acknowledge that they are independent contracting entities and that nothing in this Grant Contract shall be construed to create a principal/agent relationship or to allow either to exercise control or direction over the manner or method by which the other transacts its business affairs or provides its usual services. The employees or agents of one party shall not be deemed or construed to be the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.
- D.23. <u>Limitation of State's Liability</u>. The State shall have no liability except as specifically provided in this Grant Contract. In no event will the State be liable to the Grantee or any other party for any lost revenues, lost profits, loss of business, loss of grant funding, decrease in the value of any securities or cash position, time, money, goodwill, or any indirect, special, incidental, punitive, exemplary or consequential damages of any nature, whether based on warranty, contract, statute, regulation, tort (including but not limited to negligence), or any other legal theory that may arise under this Grant Contract or otherwise. The State's total liability under this Grant Contract (including any exhibits, schedules, amendments or other attachments to the Contract) or otherwise shall under no circumstances exceed the Maximum Liability originally established in Section C.1 of this Grant Contract. This limitation of liability is cumulative and not per incident.
- Force Majeure. "Force Majeure Event" means fire, flood, earthquake, elements of nature or acts D.24. of God, wars, riots, civil disorders, rebellions or revolutions, acts of terrorism or any other similar cause beyond the reasonable control of the party except to the extent that the non-performing party is at fault in failing to prevent or causing the default or delay, and provided that the default or delay cannot reasonably be circumvented by the non-performing party through the use of alternate sources, workaround plans or other means. A strike, lockout or labor dispute shall not excuse either party from its obligations under this Grant Contract. Except as set forth in this Section, any failure or delay by a party in the performance of its obligations under this Grant Contract arising from a Force Majeure Event is not a default under this Grant Contract or grounds for termination. The non-performing party will be excused from performing those obligations directly affected by the Force Majeure Event, and only for as long as the Force Majeure Event continues, provided that the party continues to use diligent, good faith efforts to resume performance without delay. The occurrence of a Force Majeure Event affecting Grantee's representatives, suppliers, subcontractors, customers or business apart from this Grant Contract is not a Force Majeure Event under this Grant Contract. Grantee will promptly notify the State of any delay caused by a Force Majeure Event (to be confirmed in a written notice to the State within one (1) day of the inception of the delay) that a Force Majeure Event has occurred, and will describe in reasonable detail the nature of the Force Majeure Event. If any Force Majeure Event results in a delay in Grantee's performance longer than forty-eight (48) hours, the State may, upon notice to Grantee: (a) cease payment of the fees until Grantee resumes performance of the affected obligations; or (b) immediately terminate this Grant Contract or any purchase order, in whole or in part, without further payment except for fees then due and payable. Grantee will not increase its charges under this

- Grant Contract or charge the State any fees other than those provided for in this Grant Contract as the result of a Force Majeure Event.
- D.25. Tennessee Department of Revenue Registration. The Grantee shall comply with all applicable registration requirements contained in Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 67-6-601 608. Compliance with applicable registration requirements is a material requirement of this Grant Contract.
- D.26. <u>Charges to Service Recipients Prohibited</u>. The Grantee shall not collect any amount in the form of fees or reimbursements from the recipients of any service provided pursuant to this Grant Contract.
- D.27. No Acquisition of Equipment or Motor Vehicles. This Grant Contract does not involve the acquisition and disposition of equipment or motor vehicles acquired with funds provided under this Grant Contract.
- D.28. State and Federal Compliance. The Grantee shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations in the performance of this Grant Contract. The U.S. Office of Management and Budget's Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards is available here: http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?SID=c6b2f053952359ba94470ad3a7c1a975&tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title02/2cfr200 main 02.tpl
- D.29. Governing Law. This Grant Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Tennessee, without regard to its conflict or choice of law rules. The Grantee agrees that it will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of Tennessee in actions that may arise under this Grant Contract. The Grantee acknowledges and agrees that any rights or claims against the State of Tennessee or its employees hereunder, and any remedies arising there from, shall be subject to and limited to those rights and remedies, if any, available under Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 9-8-101 through 9-8-408.
- D.30. <u>Completeness</u>. This Grant Contract is complete and contains the entire understanding between the parties relating to the subject matter contained herein, including all the terms and conditions agreed to by the parties. This Grant Contract supersedes any and all prior understandings, representations, negotiations, or agreements between the parties, whether written or oral.
- D.31. Severability. If any terms and conditions of this Grant Contract are held to be invalid or unenforceable as a matter of law, the other terms and conditions shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect. To this end, the terms and conditions of this Grant Contract are declared severable.
- D.32. <u>Headings</u>. Section headings are for reference purposes only and shall not be construed as part of this Grant Contract.
- D.33. Iran Divestment Act. The requirements of Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-12-101, et seq., addressing contracting with persons as defined at Tenn. Code Ann. §12-12-103(5) that engage in investment activities in Iran, shall be a material provision of this Grant Contract. The Grantee certifies, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that it is not on the list created pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-12-106.
- D.34. <u>Debarment and Suspension.</u> The Grantee certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it, its current and future principals, its current and future subcontractors and their principals:
 - a. are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal or state department or agency;
 - have not within a three (3) year period preceding this Grant Contract been convicted of, or had a civil judgment rendered against them from commission of fraud, or a criminal

offence in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or grant under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification, or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

- c. are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses detailed in section b. of this certification; and
- d. have not within a three (3) year period preceding this Grant Contract had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

The Grantee shall provide immediate written notice to the State if at any time it learns that there was an earlier failure to disclose information or that due to changed circumstances, its principals or the principals of its subcontractors are excluded or disqualified, or presently fall under any of the prohibitions of sections a-d.

D.35. Confidentiality of Records. Strict standards of confidentiality of records and information shall be maintained in accordance with applicable state and federal law. All material and information, regardless of form, medium or method of communication, provided to the Grantee by the State or acquired by the Grantee on behalf of the State that is regarded as confidential under state or federal law shall be regarded as "Confidential Information." Nothing in this Section shall permit Grantee to disclose any Confidential Information, regardless of whether it has been disclosed or made available to the Grantee due to intentional or negligent actions or inactions of agents of the State or third parties. Confidential Information shall not be disclosed except as required or permitted under state or federal law. Grantee shall take all necessary steps to safeguard the confidentiality of such material or information in conformance with applicable state and federal law.

E. SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- E.1. Conflicting Terms and Conditions. Should any of these special terms and conditions conflict with any other terms and conditions of this Grant Contract, the special terms and conditions shall be subordinate to the Grant Contract's other terms and conditions.
- E. 2. Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act & Tennessee Data Accessibility, Transparency and Accountability Act. The Grantee shall comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (20 U.S.C. 1232(g)) and its accompanying regulations (34 C.F.R. § 99) ("FERPA"). The Grantee warrants that the Grantee is familiar with FERPA requirements and that it will comply with these requirements in the performance of its duties under this Grant Contract. The Grantee agrees to cooperate with the State, as required by FERPA, in the performance of its duties under this Grant Contract. The Grantee agrees to maintain the confidentiality of all education records and student information. The Grantee shall only use such records and information for the exclusive purpose of performing its duties under this Grant Contract. The obligations set forth in this Section shall survive the termination of this Grant Contract.

The Grantee shall also comply with Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-1-701, et seq., known as the "Data Accessibility, Transparency and Accountability Act," and any accompanying administrative rules or regulations (collectively "DATAA"). The Grantee agrees to maintain the confidentiality of all records containing student and de-identified data, as this term is defined in DATAA, in any databases, to which the State has granted the Grantee access, and to only use such data for the exclusive purpose of performing its duties under this Grant Contract.

Any instances of unauthorized disclosure of data containing personally identifiable information in violation of FERPA or DATAA that come to the attention of the Grantee shall be reported to the State within twenty-four (24) hours.

Personally Identifiable Information. While performing its obligations under this Grant Contract, E.3. Grantee may have access to Personally Identifiable Information held by the State ("PII"). For the purposes of this Grant Contract, "PII" includes "Nonpublic Personal Information" as that term is defined in Title V of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act of 1999 or any successor federal statute, and the rules and regulations thereunder, all as may be amended or supplemented from time to time ("GLBA") and personally identifiable information and other data protected under any other applicable laws, rule or regulation of any jurisdiction relating to disclosure or use of personal information ("Privacy Laws"). Grantee agrees it shall not do or omit to do anything which would cause the State to be in breach of any Privacy Laws. Grantee shall, and shall cause its employees, agents and representatives to: (i) keep PII confidential and may use and disclose PII only as necessary to carry out those specific aspects of the purpose for which the PII was disclosed to Grantee and in accordance with this Grant Contract, GLBA and Privacy Laws; and (ii) implement and maintain appropriate technical and organizational measures regarding information security to: (A) ensure the security and confidentiality of PII; (B) protect against any threats or hazards to the security or integrity of PII; and (C) prevent unauthorized access to or use of PII. Grantee shall immediately notify State: (1) of any disclosure or use of any PII by Grantee or any of its employees, agents and representatives in breach of this Grant Contract; and (2) of any disclosure of any PII to Grantee or its employees, agents and representatives where the purpose of such disclosure is not known to Grantee or its employees, agents and representatives. The State reserves the right to review Grantee's policies and procedures used to maintain the security and confidentiality of PII and Grantee shall, and cause its employees, agents and representatives to, comply with all reasonable requests or directions from the State to enable the State to verify or ensure that Grantee is in full compliance with its obligations under this Grant Contract in relation to PII. Upon termination or expiration of the Grant Contract or at the State's direction at any time in its sole discretion, whichever is earlier, Grantee shall immediately return to the State any and all PII which it has received under this Grant Contract and shall destroy all records of such PII.

The Grantee shall report to the State any instances of unauthorized access to or potential disclosure of PII in the custody or control of Grantee ("Unauthorized Disclosure") that come to the Grantee's attention. Any such report shall be made by the Grantee within twenty-four (24) hours after the Unauthorized Disclosure has come to the attention of the Grantee. Grantee shall take all necessary measures to halt any further Unauthorized Disclosures. The Grantee, at the sole discretion of the State, shall provide no cost credit monitoring services for individuals whose PII was affected by the Unauthorized Disclosure. The Grantee shall bear the cost of notification to all individuals affected by the Unauthorized Disclosure, including individual letters and public notice. The remedies set forth in this Section are not exclusive and are in addition to any claims or remedies available to this State under this Grant Contract or otherwise available at law. The obligations set forth in this Section shall survive the termination of this Grant Contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,

BLOUNT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION:

DAVID MURRELL. DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS

DATE

TENNESSEE HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION:		
DR. EMILY HOUSE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	DATE	

\$0.00

\$0.00

\$95,158.00

\$0.00

\$0.00

\$0.00

ATTACHMENT A

GRANT BUDGET

33201-03023 ID 77080 BLOUNT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SPARC 4.0

The Grant Budget line-item amounts below shall be applicable only to expense incurred during the following

Applicable

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Indirect Cost

In-Kind Expense

REGIN: 01/15/2023 Period:

Perioa:	BEGIN: 01/15/2023	END.	231/2024	
POLICY 03 Object Line-Item Reference	EXPENSE OBJECT LINE-ITEM CATEGORY 1	GRANT CONTRACT	GRANTEE PARTICIPATION	TOTAL PROJECT
1.2	Salaries, Benefits & Taxes	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4, 15	Professional Fee, Grant & Award ²	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10	Supplies, Telephone, Postage & Shipping, Occupancy, Equipment Rental & Maintenance, Printing & Publications	\$94,558.00	\$0.00	\$94,558.00
11. 12	Travel, Conferences & Meetings	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
13	Interest ²	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
14	Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
16	Specific Assistance To Individuals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
17	Depreciation ²	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
18	Other Non-Personnel ²	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
20	Capital Purchase ²	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

END: 12/31/2024

\$0.00

\$0.00

\$95,158.00

GRAND TOTAL

Each expense object line-item shall be defined by the Department of Finance and Administration Policy 03, Uniform Reporting Requirements and Cost Allocation Plans for Subrecipients of Federal and State Grant Monies, Appendix A. (posted on the Internet at: https://www.tn.gov/finance/looking-for/policies.html).

² Applicable detail follows this page if line-item is funded.

ATTACHMENT A

GRANT BUDGET LINE-ITEM DETAIL:

PROFESSIONAL FEE, GRANT & AWARD		AMOUNT
Snap On Teacher Training PMI Certification		\$600
	TOTAL	\$600

ATTACHMENT B

Parent Child Information

The Grantee should complete this form and submit it with the Grant Contract. The Grantee should submit only one, completed "Parent Child Information" document to the State during the Grantee's fiscal year.

Grantee 3 hasar year.
"Parent" means an entity whose IRS filing contains the information of at least one other entity.
"Child" means an entity whose information is contained in another entity's IRS filing.
Grantee's Edison Vendor ID number: 0000004155
ls Blount County Board of Education a parent? Yes ☐ No 💢
If yes, provide the name and Edison Vendor ID number, if applicable, of any child entities.
s Blount County Board of Education a child? Yes 🗌 No 🙀
If yes, complete the fields below.
Parent entity's name:
Parent entity's tax identification number:
Note: If the parent entity's tax identification number is a social security number, this form nust be submitted via US mail to:
Central Procurement Office, Grants Program Manager 3 rd Floor, WRS Tennessee Tower 312 Rosa L Parks Avenue Nashville, TN 37243 Parent entity's contact information
Name of primary contact person:
Address:
Phone number:
Email address:
Parent entity's Edison Vendor ID number, if applicable:

Form Name: Submission Time: Browser: IP Address: Unique ID: Location: SPARC 4.0 RFI - Transitional October 31, 2022 12:51 pm Chrome 106.0.0.0 / Windows 7 96.4.69.70 1027935215

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BACKGROUND:

GENERAL INFORMATION:

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the information provided in this section.

Yes

Respondent Entity Information

Respondent Legal Entity Name

Blount County Schools

Respondent Legal Entity Address

831 Grandview Drive Maryville 37803

Edison ID:

Z22-503122

Must contracts in your county receive school board approval prior to being

Yes

signed?

Respondent Contact Person Information

Respondent Contact Person

Alisa Teffeteller

Contact Person Email

Alisa.Teffeteller@blountk12.org

Contact Person Phone Number

(865) 984-1212

Transportation

Informational Component 1: Current CTE Career Clusters

Career Clusters

Please select all Career Clusters that your institution offers. Check all that apply.

Advanced Manufacturing Architecture & Construction Human Services

Proposed	Expense	1
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Career Cluster	Advanced Manufacturing
Proposed Expense Type	Consumables/Supplies
Proposed Expense Location	Blount County-Heritage High School
Proposed Expense	Welding Textbooks (classroom sets)
Purchase Quantity	30
Cost Per Unit	275
Total	8250
Do you have additional proposed expenses to report?	Yes

Proposed Expense 2

Career Cluster	Architecture & Construction
Proposed Expense Type	Consumables/Supplies
Proposed Expense Location	Blount County-Heritage High School
Proposed Expense	Construction Textbooks (class set)
Purchase Quantity	30
Cost Per Unit	120
Total	3600
Do you have additional proposed expenses to report?	Yes

Proposed Expense 3

Career Cluster	Human Services
Proposed Expense Type	Consumables/Supplies
Proposed Expense Location	Blount County-Heritage High School
Proposed Expense	Cosmetology Textbooks (class set)
Purchase Quantity	30

Cost Per Unit	175	Attachment E
Total	5250	
Do you have additional proposed expenses to report?	Yes	
Proposed Expense 4		
Career Cluster	Transportation	
Proposed Expense Type	Consumables/Supplies	
Proposed Expense Location	Blount County-Heritage High School	
Proposed Expense	Automotive Maint & Light Repair Textbooks (class se	et)
Purchase Quantity	30	
Cost Per Unit	412	
Total	12360	
Do you have additional proposed expenses to report?	Yes	
Proposed Expense 5	_	
Career Cluster	Human Services	
Proposed Expense Type	Consumables/Supplies	
Proposed Expense Location	Blount County-Heritage High School	
Proposed Expense	Cosmetology supplies including mannequin heads	
Purchase Quantity	50	
Cost Per Unit	80	
Total	4000	
Do you have additional proposed expenses to report?	Yes	
Proposed Expense 6		
Career Cluster	Transportation	
Proposed Expense Type	Consumables/Supplies	

Proposed Expense	automotive maintenance supplies Attachment E
Purchase Quantity	16
Cost Per Unit	87
Total	1392
Do you have additional proposed expenses to report?	Yes
Proposed Expense 7	
Career Cluster	Advanced Manufacturing
Proposed Expense Type	Consumables/Supplies
Proposed Expense Location	Blount County-Heritage High School
Proposed Expense	Mechatronics supplies (3D printer spools in various colors)
Purchase Quantity	22
Cost Per Unit	200
Total	4400
Do you have additional proposed expenses to report?	Yes
Proposed Expense 8	
Career Cluster	Advanced Manufacturing
Proposed Expense Type	Consumables/Supplies
Proposed Expense Location	Blount County-Heritage High School
Proposed Expense	Mechatronics 3D printer tip replacement kits (various colors)
Purchase Quantity	2
Cost Per Unit	1800
Total	3600
Do you have additional proposed expenses to report?	Yes
Proposed Expense 9	
Career Cluster	Advanced Manufacturing

Proposed Expense Type	Consumables/Supplies Attachmen	nt E
Proposed Expense Location	Blount County-Heritage High School	
Proposed Expense	Mechatronics electrical supplies	
Purchase Quantity	16	
Cost Per Unit	30	
Total	480	
Do you have additional proposed expenses to report?	Yes	
Proposed Expense 10		
Career Cluster	Advanced Manufacturing	
Proposed Expense Type	Teacher Training	
Proposed Expense Location	Blount County-Heritage High School	
Proposed Expense	Snap-on Teacher Training for PMI certifications	
Purchase Quantity	1	
Cost Per Unit	600	
Total	600	
Do you have additional proposed expenses to report?	Yes	
Proposed Expense 11		
Career Cluster	Transportation	
Proposed Expense Type	Consumables/Supplies	
Proposed Expense Location	Blount County-William Blount High School	
Proposed Expense	Automotive Maintenance & Light Repair Textbooks (class set)	
Purchase Quantity	30	
Cost Per Unit	412	
Total	12360	
Do you have additional proposed expenses to report?	Yes	

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Career Cluster	Human Services	
Proposed Expense Type	Consumables/Supplies	
Proposed Expense Location	-Select a school from the list below- William Blount High School	
Proposed Expense	Cosmetology Textbook and Workbook (class sets)	
Purchase Quantity	60	
Cost Per Unit	141	
Total	8460	
Do you have additional proposed expenses to report?	Yes	

Proposed Expense 13

Career Cluster	Architecture & Construction
Proposed Expense Type	Consumables/Supplies
Proposed Expense Location	Blount County-William Blount High School
Proposed Expense	Construction Textbooks (class set)
Purchase Quantity	30
Cost Per Unit	120
Total	3600
Do you have additional proposed expenses to report?	Yes

Proposed Expense 14

Career Cluster	Advanced Manufacturing	
Proposed Expense Type	Consumables/Supplies	
Proposed Expense Location	Blount County-William Blount High School	
Proposed Expense	Mechatronics Textbooks (class set)	
Purchase Quantity	30	
Cost Per Unit	256	
Total	7680	

Attachment E

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Purchase Quantity

Cost Per Unit	1000	Attachment E
Total	1000	
Do you have additional proposed expenses to report?	Yes	
Proposed Expense 18		
Career Cluster	Architecture & Construction	
Proposed Expense Type	Consumables/Supplies	
Proposed Expense Location	Blount County-William Blount High School	
Proposed Expense	Residential Construction Supplies	
Purchase Quantity	50	
Cost Per Unit	104	
Total	5200	
Do you have additional proposed expenses to report?	No	

Informational Component 3: Opportunities & Obstacles

How do the proposed expenditures listed above increase the postsecondary access and attainment of the CTE students in your county?

Textbooks and workbooks will be up-to-date for our programs of study in specific career clusters that are aligned with postsecondary dual enrollment with TCAT-K which will aid our students attainment of subject knowledge and better prepared. The consumable supplies are for the repetitive skill training to be college and career ready for the entry point(s) after high school. Lastly, the teacher PD on Snap-on precision measurement instruments aligns with the postsecondary dual enrollment and the industry credential that student will have the opportunity to obtain.

What limiting factors, if any, are there in establishing new dual enrollment opportunities? Check all that apply.

Lack of Qualified Instructors

Communication with Postsecondary Partners

Student Interest

Other: TCAT-K does not offer some of our programs of study for students to do DE/ Poor communication with 2-year local school and change student requirements midstream of term.

Other than SPARC, what other grants has your county been awarded that impact CTE? Check all that apply.

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Submission