

Tech Prep: Cost-Free Service, Value-Added Collaboration

Tech Prep Goals: Launched in Ohio in 1991, Tech Prep is jointly administered by the Ohio Department of Education and the Ohio Department of Higher Education. Ohio invested \$2.8 million in FY18, reduced by 32% to \$1.9 million in FY19 to fund essential services focused on five goals:

- To build and foster relationships between secondary and postsecondary education partners with business and industry
- Develop career pathways and Programs of Study for students
- Provide at no cost valuable technical information to all stakeholders
- Connect secondary (7-12), college, adult and apprenticeship programs in meaningful Programs of Study/ career pathways
- Assist school districts, adult Ohio Technical centers and colleges in efforts to adhere to statewide credit transfer requirements and articulation agreement expectations

6 Tech Prep Regional Centers serve as **resource hubs** to support **676** School Districts, **91** Career Technical Planning Districts, **23** Community Colleges and **14** Universities.

SUCCESSBOUND supporting NSFY:

Over 1,000 business, industry, education, community, student, and government partners attended 6 regional conferences statewide in FY18. SuccessBound Regional Events will be repeated in FY19 & FY20.

30 coordinators at 25 colleges

facilitate access to quality career-focused pathways, work-based learning opportunities, apprenticeships, industry recognized credentials, scholarships, and early college credit.

In FY18 Tech Prep executed more than **350** professional development events, workshops, and enrichment activities, serving more than **5,300** education & business partners, **impacting** more than **24,414** students.

Tech Prep creates connections ensuring **100%** of Ohio career tech programs meet **Federal Perkins Funding Mandates**, providing linkages to career and postsecondary options.

Tech Prep technical assistance supports exemplary career pathways, programs of study and program renewal applications. Close to **3,000** applications have been processed in FY17 and FY18.



In FY18 Tech Prep facilitated more than **2,000** college credit opportunities representing thousands of dollars in college credit. In a 9- college sample, Tech Prep students and parents **realized more than \$2.6 million tuition savings.**