AG2 Frequently Asked Questions

Overview of Commonly Asked Questions Regarding AG2 Rollout for CTE Directors and Finance Teams

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Introduction

Overview of the AG2 FAQ Document and Purpose

This document serves to answer commonly asked questions about the AcceleGrants 2.0 (AG2) system roll out for the Fiscal Year 2026 (FY26) application. The FY26 Perkins Funding Application is now live in the AcceleGrants 2.0 system. The deadline to submit this application is Monday, June 30, 2025. This Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document is meant to provide brief responses to commonly asked questions by LEAs. Additional materials, including an updated Perkins Assurances requirement, are located on the CTE website in the CTE Funding section under "Perkins V Funding." Please contact CTE@ride.ri.gov with any additional questions not addressed here, or if any additional clarification is needed. Thank you!

- **Perkins Office Hour #3**: Tuesday June 24 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM– Register HERE
- **Perkins Office Hour #4**: Thursday June 26 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM– Register HERE

Frequently Asked Questions

1. **How can I add a program?**

Answer: When you go into the secondary grant application and see an arrow to drop down, you have to select add a "grant application". This used to be called "add program" in the previous AcceleGrants system and was housed in the same location.

2. **I do not have add program in my drop down in AG2. I cannot edit anything, but I have access to the system, how do I make sure I can add and edit programs and applications?**

Answer: You must change status to draft started. This is the same process for secondary set aside and reserve funds as it is for secondary. You must change the status of each to draft started, similar to the original AcceleGrants system.

3. **Now that I added programs to my application. How do I know they were added successfully?**

Answer: Click the drop down under the secondary tab in your secondary application to ensure that programs were added.

4. **Is "add grant application" the same as the old "add program" option on the dropdown menu?**

Answer: Yes.

5. **Will we be notified if we have an error in our budget?**

Answer: When you go to district level view, you will see where the errors are. You are also unable to submit an application that is over budget.

6. **Where do we upload the progress monitoring and needs assessment information? Do we need to put it in just once or do we need to submit multiple times? What about for information relating to Sections 134 and 135?**

Answer: You need to put the progress monitoring and needs assessment document in needs assessment upload area every time you have a new program, 134-135 are only uploaded once in the related documents section.

7. **Where can I see my allocation?**

Answer: Click on the allocations link in the Secondary Application for your LEA. You can also see your allocation and allocation remaining if you click district level under the secondary tab in your Secondary Application.

8. **We put in certification grant for new hire. We have $7,000 we were approved for CTE Teacher Grant funding but will not need it due to unforeseen circumstances. Does RIDE want us to find another use for that money for professional learning and repurpose it in our LEA or send it back to RIDE?**

Answer: You can repurpose those funds to another teacher and send that information to RIDE. If you cannot find another purpose for the funds that is aligned to the intent that the money was allocated to your LEA for, they will have to be sent back to RIDE. This means you cannot use the teacher grant funds to pay for supplies, but they can be used for alternative professional development purposes for a CTE instructor.

9. **Where do we upload additional information for supplies we need in 56000?**

Answer: You can upload that in the related document section. This is found under "Optional Documents". You can add any and all equipment lists, supplementary tables, and additional information here.

10. **If you have a program over the summer that is using those funds in August. When and how should we submit that information?**

Answer: If you submit a budget in AG2 on June 30th, you can seek reimbursement back to the date where it landed here at RIDE. If that grant application comes to RIDE in, say, October, you cannot budget back to August. So long as RIDE receives a grant application before the date you need funding, you may budget the funds after that application is received (not approved, just received).

11. **Will we be able to carry over budgets on AG2 in future years (e.g., FY27)**

Answer: Yes, you will be able to carry over future budgets in AG2 but not FY25's budget from AG1.

12. **What is the funding that has been already allocated in Perkins' reserve section?**

Answer: That money is for CEEG funding for FY26. DAS-PLS money has not been allocated yet but will be loaded soon. Teacher Grant funds will be in Special Programs

13. **To clarify, what money is typically allocated in special programs?**

Answer: CTSO related funding.

14. **Relatedly, a CTSO program I wish to budget for costs $1,000. I only have $500 budgeted for special programs. Can I take the $500 from special programs and $500 from a different source to pay for CTSO expenses?**

Answer: Yes. For example, if you were doing something related to career exploration in middle school, you could pull some of those funds from the CEEG pool. However, this does need to be clearly stated in the application.

15. **I know categorical funding will be released later. I see $100 allocated there. Is that money we should spend? Is that all of our categorical funding?**

Answer: No, that is not the total categorical funding. RIDE put $100 in categorical in order for you to be able to begin exploring the budgeting process for categorical in AG2 and to see the categorical section in AG2.

16. **What do I need to do with assurances? Where do I put them?**

Answer: You must upload your assurances before submitting a budget/grant application. It will be flagged if you do not upload them. The assurances can be uploaded in the related documents section.

17. **How do you duplicate lines in AG2?**

Answer: You have to add a new line, you are unable to duplicate lines. Please stay tuned for further updates from RIDE.

18. **What should I put for the program initiative line in the budget detail for 56000 (or other budget details)?**

Answer: This is a subjective determination for how you are spending this money. Select what is most relevant for the drop-down menu that applies to you.

19. **I put in a grant application and budgeted a few thousand dollars. It looks like I am in the red. Why is that? Is this a problem?**

Answer: You may appear to be in the red for that section (e.g., Biomedical Program), but unless you are over budget for your total allocation, you are all set. You should be checking total balances at the “district level” view. More information on this will be coming soon as RIDE is working with the software developer to address this concern.