

# CTE State Funding Basics



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# Distribution of State Funds



- ▶ The Delaware unit system for funding schools is based on Title 14, Chapter 17 of Delaware Code.
- ▶ Local Education Agencies (LEA's) receive funds based on September 30 enrollment and occupational-vocational unit (CTE) allotment.
- ▶ Delaware Code requires that appropriations for the support, maintenance, and operation of Delaware schools fall under three (3) divisions.

# Divisions of Funding



- ▶ Division 1- appropriations designated for the purpose of paying salaries.
- ▶ Division 2- appropriations for all other school costs and energy, except those for debt service and the transportation of students.
- ▶ Division 3- appropriations for educational advancements.

# Division 1



- ▶ Comprehensive/Charter Schools- 27,000 pupil minutes per week is equal to 1 occupational-vocational unit (CTE). (Teacher units)
- ▶ Technical School Districts- Every 30 students enrolled is equal to 1 occupational-vocational unit (CTE). (Teacher units)
- ▶ Student enrollment and unit computation is determined and based on the September 30 Unit Count.

# Division 2



- ▶ Funds determined by providing a sum for each unit of students.
- ▶ Funding Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3. Levels determined by preset criteria.
- ▶ Level 1 requires minimal fiscal resources.
- ▶ Level 2 requires moderate fiscal resources.
- ▶ Level 3 requires intensive fiscal resources.
- ▶ Funds are used to purchase textbooks, furniture, other classroom equipment, as well as consumable materials and supplies needed to maintain the CTE Program of Study.

# Division 2 (continued)



- ▶ 90% of Division 2 funds, except for energy funds, must be allocated to the school that generates these funds and expended to support the state approved CTE Programs of Study at that school.
- ▶ Schools may request a waiver to the 90% with approval from DACCTE, Secretary of Education, and the Controller General. Requests are due to the Secretary of Education by Nov. 16 of each year.

# Division 3



- ▶ Any school district that provides funds for local taxation for current operating expenses in excess of the basic state appropriation is eligible for Division 3 equalization state funds on a matching basis via Delaware Code. Charter school districts are also eligible.
- ▶ Funds supplement funds appropriated under Division 1 and 2 for the purpose of advancing education beyond the level authorized through the basic appropriation.



# Resources



- ▶ [Delaware Department of Education Career and Technical Education- Fiscal and Accountability Policies and Procedures](#), August 2023, p. 13-17.
- ▶ For more detailed information please refer to the Delaware Department of Education.

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