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Issue Paper

DATE:

04/10/2023

AGENDA ITEM (ACTION ITEM):

Consider/Approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Kenton County School District (KCS D) and Cincinnati State Technical and Community College for students to complete dual credit courses in the Aviation Maintenance Technology Program for the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years.

APPLICABLE BOARD POLICY:

01.11 General Powers and Duties

HISTORY/BACKGROUND:

KCS D and Cincinnati State have partnered on the Aviation Maintenance Technology program since the start of the 2021-22 school year. In that time, 22 Kenton County Schools students have enrolled in the program. Cincinnati State Technical and Community College has provided and will continue to provide a tuition free dual credit program for up to 15 KCS D students per cohort each year. The three KCS D high schools will each school will have five slots allocated for each year of the MOU. Juniors who complete the two years will have earned up to 54 hours of credit towards an associate's degree, and will have gained valuable industry certifications. Aviation Maintenance is a high demand career field with multiple opportunities for employment following graduation.

FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT:

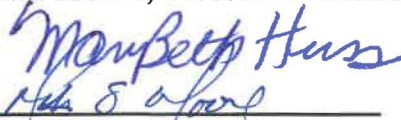
KCS D will fund student transportation through the general fund up to \$49,560 annually. Student certifications, tools, and kits will be funded through the general fund \$4,500 annually. Cincinnati State is providing student tuition.

RECOMMENDATION:


Approval to accept the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Kenton County School District and Cincinnati State Technical and Community College for students to complete dual credit courses in the Aviation Maintenance Technology Program for the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years.

CONTACT PERSON:

Matt Moore, Director of District Wide Programs


Principal/Administrator


District Administrator


Superintendent

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Kenton County School District

And

Cincinnati State Technical and Community College

Aviation Maintenance Technology Program Collaboration

Academic Years 2023-2024 and 2024-25

I. PARTIES

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into by Kenton County School District (KCSD) and Cincinnati State Technical and Community College (Cincinnati State) upon the approval by the Kenton County Board of Education and Cincinnati State, to specify the terms and conditions for the Aviation Maintenance Technology Program Collaboration under which:

- Cincinnati State Technical and Community College will provide scholarships (in collaboration with community partners) to cover tuition and course fees for up to fifteen students and access to one of the best AMT programs in the country, all in an effort to mitigate the challenges of accessibility and cost to the students. The fifteen students will attend the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years.

The MOU will be reviewed bi-annually and submitted for approval by Cincinnati State and KCSD.

- KCSD will provide transportation, tools, and certification cost.
- Books and uniform (t-shirts) will be paid for by the students

II. BACKGROUND

The Greater Cincinnati / Northern Kentucky Region is in urgent need of more aviation maintenance technicians. The region is an Important central supply chain hub for the entire country. One key element that is essential for the overall growth and success of the region's supply chain industries is a strong, educated, and well-trained pipeline of Aviation Maintenance Technicians. With the growth of CVG and the expansion of the supply chain industry surrounding it, local industry leaders are calling for this talent pipeline to grow quickly in the coming years.

Cincinnati State Technical & Community College and the KCSD have teamed together to help answer that call. The two groups are working to provide access and affordability to students in Kenton County looking to pursue a career in the aviation industry.

The Cincinnati State Aviation Maintenance Technology Program (AMT) provides students with the skills needed to keep aircraft operating safely and efficiently by servicing, repairing, and overhauling aircraft components and systems. The AMT program is certificated by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) under Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 147. The program offers Airframe, Powerplant, and Avionics certificates and students can earn an Associate's Degree as well.

KCSD serves over 14,800 students as the fifth largest school district in Kentucky. One of our primary goals is to ensure students graduate work ready and prepared for college. In addition, the KCSD wants to provide students opportunities to be prepared to work in a high demand profession. The Cincinnati State AMT Program meets and exceeds this goal. KCSD students will be able to fill the workforce pipeline needed by our industry partners for aviation maintenance technicians and related fields.

III. PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The program is designed to enable students in High School to complete the Aviation Maintenance Technology course work required for the General and Airframe certifications. The program will provide students with the opportunity to start working on their FAA certificates in these areas as early as their Junior year of High School. Students will spend half of their school day either on the Cincinnati State West Facility or the new CVG airport facilities taking Aviation courses in Aviation Maintenance, specifically the general and the airframe disciplines. The courses are college courses and count as direct credit for degree and certificates within the Cincinnati State AMT program. A student that completes the entire program will be eligible for the following:

1. Cincinnati State AMT General Certificate of Completion and eligible to test for FAA General Airmen Knowledge Test (written test only) Offer at end of second semester Spring 2024; Cost \$150.
2. Cincinnati State AMT Airframe Certificate of Completion and eligible to test for the FAA Airframe Knowledge Test (written test only) Spring 2025; Cost \$150.

Students can earn as much as 54 college credits toward a degree or certificate shortening the traditional time and lowering the cost a traditional AMT student would experience. They will also earn national credentials in Aviation Maintenance; General and Air Frame Certifications.

IV. CINCINNATI STATE TECHNICAL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE RESPONSIBILITIES

Cincinnati State Technical and Community College has committed support in the total amount of up to \$150,000 (in collaboration with community partners) delivered over 4 semesters with an enrollment of fifteen students. These funds include tuition, lab fees, career fees, facility fees and registration fees.

Cincinnati State Technical & Community College will be responsible for providing instructors, curriculum, instruction, and grading for the agreed upon courses.

V. KENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RESPONSIBILITIES

KCSD has committed to fund \$49,560 annually for transportation. In addition, the following costs over the two-year program will be funded by KCSD, grants, Perkins, and/or The Team Kenton Foundation: \$300.00/student for certifications, and \$300.00 for tools for up to fifteen students. Total $\$300.00 \times 15 = 4,500$ for 2021-22 plus $\$300.00 \times 15 = \$ 4,500$ for 2023-24 Total contribution is up to \$112,320.00 for the two-year period.

Kenton County students will be responsible for the cost of books over the two years of the program. Approximate cost will be \$160.00 total.

Kenton County students will be responsible for attendance and must follow the Cincinnati State Code of Conduct, Cincinnati State safety protocols, policies, and procedures. Any violations will be subject to disciplinary proceedings and sanctions at Cincinnati State's and/or Kenton County's discretion.

V. TERM OF MOU

Academic Years: Fall and Spring Semesters for 2023-2024 and Fall and Spring Year 2024-2025.

VI. NON-BINDING

This MOU sets forth the intent of the parties to partner, as outlined above, to create an Aviation Maintenance educational pathway for Kenton County high school students at Cincinnati State. This MOU is not a binding contract upon the parties, nor does this MOU create any rights in any third parties.

VI. SIGNATURES

We, the undersigned, endeavor to provide Kenton County high school students an Aviation Maintenance educational pathway at Cincinnati State by collaborating and carrying out the respective responsibilities set forth in the Memorandum of Understanding.

Kenton County School District – School Board Chairperson

Date

Cincinnati State Technical and Community College

Date