



1. Career-Connected High Schools – Notice Inviting Applicants



On Monday Aug. 14, 2023, the U. S. Department of Education's (Department's) Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education (OCTAE) announced the posting of a notice inviting applications (NIA) for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2023 for the Perkins Innovation and Modernization (PIM) Grant Program for Career-Connected High Schools

Through this competition, the Department seeks to award just over \$24 million in grant funds for projects that will build capacity among secondary education, postsecondary education, and workforce development systems to expand access to career-connected high school programs for more students. As described in the NIA, career-connected high schools offer systematic postsecondary counseling and career advising, dual or concurrent enrollment, work-based learning, and programs that offer opportunities to earn an industry-recognized credential.

This grant program is the first funding opportunity of Unlocking Career Success, OCTAE's initiative connected to Secretary Cardona's Raise the Bar: Lead the World campaign.

The link to the *Federal Register* notice is available [here](#). The application deadline is October 13, 2023.

Please stay tuned to the [Perkins Collaborative Resource Network](#) for more information on the pre-application webinar, as well as answers to frequently

asked questions about the competition process. If you have questions regarding the competition process, please email PIMgrants@ed.gov.