DATE: May 4, 2015

TO: Chief Executive Officers
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FROM: Pamela D. Walker, Ed.D.
Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs

SUBJECT: Request for Application (RFA) for New Grant Awards in the California Community Colleges Inmate Education Pilot Program

Pursuant to Senate Bill 1391 (Hancock), the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) and the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office (CCCCO) have entered into an interagency agreement for inmate education to expand access to community college courses that lead to degrees or certificates with an emphasis in Career Technical Education (CTE) skills or transfer to a four-year university.

The primary purpose of this RFA is to provide one-time funding for program development and implementation of inmate education geared toward improving inmates’ ability to find employment upon release and to reduce recidivism, with an emphasis on face-to-face instruction, rigorous assessment, and student services. The programs developed should be innovative, sustainable, and scalable in California state prisons and California community colleges.

In conjunction with the grant funding provided through this RFA, the applicant will also utilize apportionment-based funding allocated based on FTES for inmate education. Grant recipients will be required to align the objectives and outcomes of inmate education grant based funding and inmate education apportionment funding.

If a college is interested and meets the eligibility criteria, please submit an Application. The Application can be accessed on the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office website by accessing the Academic Affairs Division Inmate Education page at:

http://extranet.cccco.edu/Divisions/AcademicAffairs/InmateEducationPilotProgram.aspx
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Applicant’s Webinar: Tuesday, May 12, 2015, at 11:00 AM
Last day to submit clarifying questions Friday, May 22, 2015 at 5:00 PM
Deadline for the Application: Wednesday, June 3, 2015, at 5:00 PM
Announcement of selected grantees Monday, June 8, 2015

The Division of Academic Affairs will host a webinar for the RFA on Tuesday, May 12, 2015, at 11:00 a.m.

Webinar Participant Information:

Participant Details
Telephone conference line: 1-913-312-3202*
Participant passcode: 107188
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