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**To:** District Administrators

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**Subject:** Wisconsin 2023-25 budget changes for the Department of Workforce Development that impact school districts, including ECCP reimbursement payments

**Reduction in ECCP Reimbursement Allocation**

The appropriation for the Early College Credit Program (ECCP) claims to local education agencies and private schools for tuition reimbursement was reduced by the legislature from \$1,300,000 to \$487,500 each year.

Therefore, for the first time, the total amount of ECCP reimbursement claims submitted for the 2022-23 school year (\$528,658) exceeded the reduced appropriation for ECCP aid for FY24 (\$487,500). This means that districts will receive a prorated amount when reimbursed. Districts that submitted an ECCP reimbursement claim can expect to receive 92.21 percent of their estimated reimbursement amount when their payment is distributed.

Other budget updates for the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) that impact school districts:

- **Increase Local Youth Apprenticeship Grants**  
Provide \$3,000,000 in 2023-24 and \$4,000,000 in 2024-25 in additional funding to the Department's continuing appropriation for local youth apprenticeship grants. Funding for local youth apprenticeship grants would be \$9,000,000 in 2023-24 and \$10,000,000 in 2024-25.
- **Increase Career and Technical Education Incentive Grants**  
Provide \$1,500,000 annually in additional funding to the DWD's annual appropriation for the purposes of funding career and technical education (CTE) incentive grant payments to school districts. Funding for CTE incentive grants would be \$8,000,000 each year.

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