



To the Administrator Addressed

DATE:	January 23, 2020
SUBJECT:	Perkins V State Plan Public Comment
CATEGORY:	Public Comment
NEXT STEPS:	Provide stakeholder feedback

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) requests public comment on the state plan for the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act, also referred to as Perkins V.

On July 31, 2018, the president signed the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V) into law. Perkins V includes key changes that will impact the implementation of career and technology education (CTE) programs, such as an added emphasis on programs of study, the addition of a Comprehensive Local Needs Assessment, and the introduction new program quality indicators. The Texas Perkins V four-year state plan, addressing all of the requirements of the Act, will be submitted to the US Department of Education upon approval by the Governor and State Board of Education in spring 2020.

Perkins V maintains a focus on CTE program improvement, data, and accountability.

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- Provision of opportunities for
 - Construction, support and p
 - Equitable access to postsec
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Stakeholders are encouraged to review the public comment process on an electronic form to help stakeholders. The form is available at the following website: <http://www.tea.texas.gov/perkinsv>

The public comment period will open tomorrow, January 23, 2020 and will close on March 17, 2020. If you have additional questions regarding the public comment process, contact Ryan Merritt at ryan.merritt@tea.texas.gov.