EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Below is an executive summary for additional spending authority for thirteen (13) apprenticeship agreements funded through the Workforce Development Education Fund. These apprenticeship agreements support students enrolled in various instructional programs at Atlantic Technical College and distinguishes our district as the largest registered apprenticeship program sponsor in the state of Florida.

Program	Registered Apprenticeship Programs offered through Atlantic Technical Colleges in a variety of Building/Construction Trade Programs.
Status	In order to be proactive, Atlantic Technical College in conjunction with the CTACE department is following the Districts Purchasing procedures by seeking approval from the Board for additional spending authority using the Workforce Development Education Fund. This additional spending authority will allow our students to complete their apprenticeship program in over eighteen trade areas serving over 2,000 apprentices.
Funds Requested	Increase the thirteen current apprenticeship purchase orders in the amount of $1.2 million (total) for the remainder of this school year (6/30/15).
Financial Impact Statement	With the additional request for spending authority of $1.2 million, the total estimated financial impact for the three year period will be $7,800,000 from the Workforce Development Education Fund. The financial impact amount represents an estimated contract value; however, the amount authorized will not exceed the $7.8M. There is no additional financial impact to the District.
Schools Included	Atlantic Technical College
Managing Department/School	Atlantic Technical College
Source of Additional Information	Robert B. Crawford, Jr. 754 321-5103 Enid Valdez 754 321-8401
Project Description	The School Board of Broward County Public Schools approved a contract for award with thirteen (13) apprenticeship agencies on May 30, 2012 (FF-2). The contract was awarded for $2,200,000 per year for 3 years. The current spending on this agreement has not been exceeded but in keeping with the purchasing procedures and policies of district, Board approval is being requested for an additional spending authority during 2014-2015 as a proactive measure to meet the needs of students due to an increase in enrollment of over 300 students in the apprenticeship programs. As the largest apprenticeship program in the state, Atlantic Technical College accounts for nearly 30% of all apprenticeship enrollments Statewide.
Evaluation Plan	In keeping with Workforce demands, each program is registered with the state according to established apprenticeship standards and is reviewed by the state periodically for quality assurance.
Research Methodology	Review of economic opportunity workforce trends, communication with Career Source Broward and collaboration with district CTACE provides information and data regarding employment demands locally and statewide. (Please see attached articles on the shortage of skilled construction workers and the need to increase training opportunities through our apprenticeship programs to meet labor market demands.)