

**JET Advisory Board Recommendation
Fiscal Year 2025 JET Grant Awards
Discussion Paper**

Background

The Texas Workforce Commission was appropriated approximately \$15 million for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 for use by the Jobs and Education for Texans (JET) Grant Program.

The FY 2025 JET Grant Program request for applications (RFA) was issued on December 2, 2024. Eligible applicants were public junior colleges, public technical institutes, public state colleges, open enrollment charter schools, and school districts.

One hundred ninety-four (194) total applications were received, including:

- 34 applications from Institutions of Higher Education and
- 160 applications from open-enrollment charter schools and school districts.

Issue

Texas Education Code §134.003(c) states, “The advisory board shall meet at least once each quarter, or as needed, to review received applications and recommend awarding grants under this chapter.”

On April 30, 2025, the JET Advisory Board made the following recommendation to the Commission regarding the FY 2025 JET awards:

To recommend the Commission direct staff to move forward with awarding grants, based on the final evaluation score, with ability to move down the list (60 points and above) should additional funds become available during the contracting phase.

Decision Point

Staff recommends approval of the FY 2025 JET Grant Program awards, as recommended by the JET Advisory Board.