

Sequim School District CTE Center of Excellence Funding Request



Request: The Sequim School District in collaboration with the Sequim community and local/regional business partners is requesting \$15 million dollars to build a Career Technical Education (CTE) Center of Excellence. This 20,000 square foot building will provide industry-grade training capabilities for the conduct of technical and skilled trade instruction and training of Sequim School District students.

Why: There are significant workforce shortages in Clallam County including jobs in five key areas: construction, automotive repair/maintenance, healthcare, manufacturing, and information technology. Due to lack of adequate facilities, Sequim does not have the capability to address these workforce training needs. Current RCWs create inequities that prevent rural counties from receiving any capital funding to construct or remodel Career Technical Education Centers.

Local Commitment: Clallam County is an economically distressed county and as such our school district has been unable to pass a bond after multiple attempts. Yet remarkably this project is already on the cusp of generating \$1 million of local match from a broad range of local businesses, non-profits, community members, and local governments because it is so critical to our success.

What: The new Center, as part of a multi-phase effort to upgrade Sequim’s CTE Program, will enable between 90 and 110 graduates per year to fill open positions in the five job clusters, earning beginning wages of \$38,000 to \$50,000 per year.

Local Impact: The Sequim CTE career pipeline will generate \$11 to \$14 million of additional annual economic output, including over \$3.7 million of additional wages and over \$200,000 of local sales tax receipts.

Annual ROI Projections	Additional FTEs	Additional Wages	County Tax Pmts	Sequim Tax Pmts	Economic Output
Community benefit - Low	90	\$3,731,957	\$143,702	\$67,593	\$11,910,662
Community benefit - High	110	\$4,566,245	\$176,926	\$83,220	\$14,664,405

State Impact: Sales taxes generated from the increased economic output will generate up to \$1 million of additional state sales taxes resulting an ROI period for the \$15 million of between 15 - 18 years.

Washington State Return on Investment	Low Scenario	High Scenario
CTE Construction Period Tax Receipts (6.5%)	\$975,000	\$975,000
Annual Tax Receipts (6.5%)	\$774,000	\$953,000
Return on Investment		
Cumulative Year 15 ROI	\$12,588,000	\$15,273,000
Cumulative Year 18 ROI	\$14,910,000	\$18,132,000

Additional Information: For additional information, please see the Sequim School District Career Technical Education Center of Excellence Business Plan.