ESSER III Funds Plan Livingston Area Career Center

The Livingston Area Career Center, formed through an intergovernmental agreement between the schools of Dwight, Flanagan-Cornell, Pontiac, Prairie Central, Tri-Point, and Woodland will use funds allocated by the ESSER III grant to address three critical areas:

- 1. The continued implementation of necessary programs as required by the state of Illinois.
- 2. Provide for a safe return to learning.
- 3. Remediation of learning loss that was impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Total Funds Allocated \$44,122

Loss of Learning:

To address the loss of learning that has occurred during the pandemic, the Livingston Area Career Center will implement enhanced curriculum, and educational opportunity as presented by the Career and Technical Student Organization known as SkillsUSA.

Teachers: Participation in SkillsUSA will provide each teacher with enhanced curricular units that are aligned to industry standards. Curricular units will be used to individualize student instruction, as well as to provide enhanced learning beyond the current curricular content. Teachers will also benefit from collegial sharing and contact as provided by involvement in the SkillsUSA organization.

Students: Students will have access to curricular instruction that takes place in both the classroom and after school hours. All LACC students will have the option to engage in SkillsUSA competitions and to use curricular instruction units to augment their learning. Emphasis is placed on industry skill development and in the enhancement of soft skills (leadership, teamwork, communication, etc.). Instruction during school hours will use the additional SkillsUSA Units to supplement the existing curricula.

Supplies and Materials:

Supplies for SkillsUSA students to participate in competitions some of which include: Criminal Justice, Construction Trades, Culinary, Welding, EMT, Automotive and Computers. Some examples include: cookware, utensils, tools, construction materials, metal and other supplies specified by each competition.