



MIKE DEWINE

GOVERNOR
STATE OF OHIO

Executive Order 2023-05D

Addressing Critical Education and Training Needs to Support Continued Economic Development Across Ohio Through a Dynamically Skilled, Productive, and Purposeful Workforce

WHEREAS, Ohio is experiencing a period of economic growth and prosperity, creating a critical shortage of skilled workers in a number of key industries, including healthcare, advanced manufacturing, and technology over the coming decade; and

WHEREAS, Ohio is creating more jobs than we can fill, with over 300,000 job postings on OhioMeansJobs.com, including over 170,000 that pay more than \$50,000 per year; and

WHEREAS, Ohio has just over 240,000 Ohioans unemployed who can be reskilled for new opportunities to fill critical workforce needs; and

WHEREAS, the DeWine-Husted Administration has prioritized creating opportunities for more Ohioans to earn the skills and credentials needed to get a high-demand job and succeed in a technology-infused economy that will enable them to live up to their God-given potential; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's TechCred program, Individual Micro-Credential Assistance Program (IMAP), and Industry Sector Partnership Program have collectively invested over \$79 million to support Ohioans gaining skills needed to secure employment in key industry sectors; and

WHEREAS, continuing to address these critical workforce needs is essential for the continued success of Ohio's businesses and the overall well-being of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Ohioans would benefit from additional opportunities to acquire the certificates, credentials, and degrees needed to pursue good-paying, in-demand jobs across critical industries and in all regions of the state.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, do hereby order and direct the Ohio Department of Education, Higher Education, and Job and Family Services, and the Office of Workforce Transformation, in collaboration with any other private entity or state agency, board, or commission as needed, to:

1. Conduct an asset mapping analysis of current programs at Ohio's institutions of higher education and technical centers, including availability and capacity, that align with the workforce needs of this state over the next decade.
2. Analyze such fundings by region and industry.
3. Produce recommendations for how to increase opportunities for Ohioans to pursue certificates, credentials, and degrees that will lead to critically needed in-demand jobs.

I signed this Executive Order on January 8, 2023, in Cedarville, Ohio, and it will expire ten (10) calendar days after my last day as Governor of Ohio unless rescinded before then.


Mike DeWine, Governor

ATTEST:

Frank LaRose, Secretary of State

