

**WORKFORCE READINESS**

# Industry-Valued Credentials

## Model Policies

### INDUSTRY CREDENTIAL INCENTIVE

*The industry-recognized credential incentive grant provides additional funding to school districts and postsecondary institutions where students obtain qualifying industry-recognized credentials. Qualifying industry credentials are high-wage and in-demand, that have been third-party validated by a national or international industry or business association. The policy also proposes the development of articulation agreements to award college credit for approved industry-recognized credentials.*

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### PRIORITIZING HIGH-VALUE INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

*The purpose of this model policy is to establish a cross-agency, cross-sector leadership council to prioritize the industry-recognized credentials that offer students (and employers) the skills to succeed in state and regional labor markets. This policy: codifies a process to review, align and update the high-value credentials offered across K-12, postsecondary and workforce agencies; sets consistent expectations for data collection and reporting on attainment of credentials across education systems; and promotes the stackability of high-value industry-recognized credentials through the articulation of these credentials to college credits for approved postsecondary credentials.*

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