

appropriations for this purpose are insufficient, the distributions to each recipient shall be reduced proportionately.

(e) A charter school that receives funding as provided in this section must report the following information annually to the state board and (in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6) to the legislative council, on a schedule specified by the state board:

- (1) The number of adult learners enrolled in the charter school during the preceding year.**
- (2) The demographics of the adult learners enrolled in the charter school during the preceding year (in a format requested by the state board).**
- (3) The graduation rates of the adult learners enrolled in the charter school during the preceding year.**
- (4) The outcomes for adult learners enrolled in the charter school, as of graduation and as of two (2) years after graduation. A charter school must include information concerning students' job placement outcomes, information concerning students' matriculation into higher education, and any other information concerning outcomes required by the state board.**

(f) This section expires July 1, 2015: June 30, 2017.

SECTION 162. IC 20-24-13 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015]:

Chapter 13. Charter and Innovation Network School Grant Program

Sec. 1. (a) This chapter applies to the following:

- (1) A charter school that does not receive a pro rata share of local property tax revenue.**
- (2) An innovation network school located in a school city, as defined in IC 20-25-2-12, that existed on January 1, 2015, that does not receive a pro rata share of local property tax revenue (referred to as an innovation network school in this chapter).**

(b) This chapter does not apply to a virtual charter school or an adult high school.

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "school" refers to a charter school or an innovation network school described in section 1(a)(2) of this chapter.

Sec. 3. (a) An annual grant program is established to provide funding to a school for the following:

- (1) Capital improvements for the school, including the renovation or expansion of a facility, or for debt or lease payments owed on a facility, including advances from the common school fund under IC 20-49-9.**
- (2) The purposes for which the capital projects fund may be used by a school corporation under IC 20-40-8.**
- (3) The purposes for which a technology grant from the Senator David C. Ford educational technology fund may be used by a school corporation under IC 20-20-13-6.**
- (4) Transportation and school buses.**

(b) The program shall be administered by the state board.

(c) The state board shall establish a written application and procedure for providing grants under this chapter to a school described in section 5 of this chapter.

Sec. 4. The state board shall, without an application being made, make an annual grant to a school if the school is one (1) of the following:

- (1) A charter school in its first or second year of operation.**
- (2) A charter school that was placed in the "A", "B", or "C" category or designation of performance established under IC 20-31-8-3 for the most recently completed school year.**



(3) A charter school that does not receive a category or designation of performance established under IC 20-31-8-3 for the most recently completed school year.

(4) A school that has a majority of students with developmental, intellectual, or behavioral challenges.

(5) An innovation network school described in section 1(a)(2) of this chapter.

Sec. 5. (a) This section applies to a charter school that does not qualify for a grant under subsection (c). Each year, such a charter school may apply for an annual grant under this chapter.

(b) The application under subsection (a) must be submitted after July 1 and before September 1 of a state fiscal year for a grant that is requested to be made during that state fiscal year.

(c) The state board shall determine if the charter school is placed in the same or a better category or designation of performance established under IC 20-31-8-3 for the most recently completed school year than the nearest noncharter public school that is configured to teach the same grades of students as the charter school teaches. Except as provided in subsection (d), if the charter school has been placed in the same or a better category or designation of performance, the state board shall make the grant to the charter school.

(d) If a charter school:

(1) does not qualify for a grant under section 4 of this chapter; and

(2) for two (2) consecutive years the charter school has not been placed in the same or a better category or designation of performance established under IC 20-31-8-3 for the most recently completed school year than the nearest noncharter public school that is configured to teach the same grades of students as the charter school teaches;

the charter school is not eligible for a grant, unless the charter school is placed in the "C" category or designation of performance or better established under IC 20-31-8-3 for the most recently completed school year.

Sec. 6. The annual grant amount for a school for a state fiscal year is:

(1) five hundred dollars (\$500); multiplied by

(2) the number of eligible pupils who are counted in the current ADM of the school.

SECTION 163. IC 20-24.2-3-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.201-2013, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015]: Sec. 1. (a) ~~Before July 31, 2013, The state board with advice from the education roundtable established by IC 20-19-4-2,~~ shall establish stringent criteria to be used to determine whether a high school that does not meet the requirements under IC 20-24.2-2-2(b) may receive a waiver to provide instructional days in the manner described in IC 20-24.2-4-2 and be exempt from any or all of the statutes and rules listed in IC 20-24.2-4-3. The state board's criteria to approve a high school's waiver request must be based on a method or methods of measuring academic standards of the high school, as approved by the state board. The criteria must require the curriculum and instruction of a high school to create academic performance at a high level through which students are college or career ready and globally competitive upon graduation from high school.

(b) ~~Not later than November 1, 2013,~~ The state board shall submit the criteria developed by the state board to grant a waiver under subsection (a) to the general assembly in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6. ~~During the 2014 session of the general assembly, the general assembly may reject, modify, or codify the criteria developed by the state board under subsection (a).~~

SECTION 164. IC 20-25-3-6, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) A member of a standing committee of the board

