

BOARD AGENDA ITEM

April 20, 2021

SUBJECT:

Submission of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA) Programs - Adult Education Competitive Subgrant– FY 22

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In order to continue providing adult education and literacy services to the area, the Department of Adult Education requests to submit a grant for \$295,000.00 through the 2021-2025 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA) Programs – Adult Education Competitive Subgrant. Aiken County Adult Education provides diploma, GED, WIN, ABE, and ESL services to all of Aiken County, and each year the program serves approximately 750 individuals. To support local workforce needs, the program aligns with the Lower Savannah Work Force Investment Area and coordinates academic and career education efforts with SC Works and Aiken Technical College. Current secondary education levels in the area are lower than the national average (U.S. Census Bureau, 2016). Consequently, a significant portion of the population lacks access to skilled jobs and post-secondary educational opportunities.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION:

The Division of Instruction has evaluated the goals and objectives and finds them to be consistent with district instructional goals.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the submission of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA) Programs - Adult Education Subgrant, and receipt of funds, if awarded.

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