

**State Board for Vocational and Technical Education
Budget 270
House Bill Nos. 1020, 1443**

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1999-2001 legislative appropriation	28.50	\$13,148,183	\$15,745,609	\$28,893,792
1997-99 legislative appropriation	<u>29.50</u>	<u>11,516,023</u>	<u>14,247,597</u>	<u>25,763,620</u>
1999-2001 appropriation increase (decrease) to 1997-99 appropriation	(1.00)	\$1,632,160	\$1,498,012	\$3,130,172

NOTE: The 1999-2001 appropriation amounts include \$29,851, of which \$17,909 is from the general fund, for the agency's share of the \$5.4 million funding pool appropriated to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for special market equity adjustments for classified employees and \$1,531, of which \$883 is from the general fund, for the agency's share of the \$1.4 million funding pool appropriated to OMB for assisting agencies in providing \$35 per month minimum salary increases in July 1999 and July 2000.

Item Description

Work force training grants - Section 8 of 1999 House Bill No. 1443 provides a general fund appropriation of \$875,000 for contracting with higher education institutions assigned primary responsibility for work force training programs.

Adult farm management marketing clubs - House Bill No. 1434 (1999) amended North Dakota Century Code Section 15-20.1-03, expanding the duties of the State Board for Vocational and Technical Education to include creating and expanding marketing clubs as adjuncts to farm management programs. The 1999 Legislative Assembly provided a \$50,000 general fund appropriation to the State Board for Vocational and Technical Education for this purpose.

Status/Result

For the first year of the biennium, the State Board for Vocational and Technical Education awarded approximately 49 percent of the appropriated amount to the following four institutions:

Bismarck State College	\$109,813
Lake Region State College	87,938
State College of Science	163,253
Williston State College	68,688
Total	\$429,692

Each institution submitted to the State Board for Vocational and Technical Education a business plan for work force training. The North Dakota University System College Technical Education Council identified the amounts to be distributed to each institution to meet work force training needs in each respective region of the state. After June 30, 2000, each institution will submit a report to the State Board for Vocational and Technical Education identifying uses of the funds. Grant allocations have not been made for the second year of the biennium.

For the first year of the biennium, the State Board for Vocational and Technical Education has provided funding to 22 marketing clubs serving 363 members. The agency anticipates utilizing the entire \$50,000 appropriation to provide funding to the 22 marketing clubs during the 1999-2001 biennium.