



# Central Region Tech Prep SuccessBound Conference

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## Workforce Alignment Initiatives

1. TechCred
  - a. Helps Ohioans learn new skills and helps employers build a stronger workforce with the skills needed in a technology-infused economy.
  - b. Businesses apply for funding to reskill or upskill their employees.
    - i. \$2000/employee/round
    - ii. \$30,000/business/round
  - c. Round 3 applications open March 2, 2020.
  
2. RAPIDS (Regionally Aligned Priorities in Delivering Skills)
  - a. Supports innovative, collaborative workforce development education and training.
  - b. RAPIDS grants are used to purchase state-of-the-art equipment for use in learning laboratories specific to regional workforce needs.
  
3. Choose Ohio First (COF)
  - a. Assigns a number of scholarships to universities and colleges to recruit Ohio residents as undergraduate students in the fields of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, medicine (STEMM), or STEMM Education fields.
  - b. Fall, 2019 – Computer Science awards
  
4. STEM P3 (STEM Public-Private Partnership)
  - a. Encourages public-private partnerships between high schools, colleges, and the business community.
  - b. Opportunities in 2020 and 2021.

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