

# Developing Youth Talent Initiative Grant Scoring Criteria

Developing Youth Talent Initiative applications will be evaluated on the following criteria:

## **Project & Goals**

1. Concept is innovative and not redundant with other projects
2. Increases students' interest & knowledge of STEM occupations and skills
3. Increases students' interest & knowledge of IT, Manufacturing, Healthcare or Engineering occupations
4. Statement of need is compelling, well-researched and well-defined
5. Includes participation and support of school district
6. Goals of the project are clear, feasible, appropriate, measurable and time-bound

## **Evaluation & Sustainment**

7. Performance indicator(s) described is clear and will measure the project's success
8. Evaluation plan is well-defined and will result in a thorough and accurate analysis
9. Sustainment plan is realistic and subsequent funding is attainable
10. Expected barriers and the tools to overcome them are well defined

## **Budget**

11. Budget is detailed and activities are accurately reflected
12. In-Kind/matching funds are identified and demonstrate strong partner commitment

## **Additional Documents**

13. Strong letter(s) of support/commitment were included
14. Applicant is registered with the Nebraska Secretary of State

## **Milestones**

15. Milestones are clear, tangible and include measureable indicators
16. Activities will achieve the anticipated outputs/outcomes described
17. Milestones include projected end dates