I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES

MISSION

To provide quality vocational training to all qualified inmates incarcerated within the Arkansas Dept. of Correction.

Riverside Vo-Tech is part of the Dept. of Correction School District (Act 496 of 2005) and provides vocational training to all qualified inmates incarcerated within the Arkansas Department of Correction. Programs are 1440 contact hours in length and participation is on a voluntary basis. Currently, programs are offered at the Varner Unit, the Tucker Unit, the Wrightsville Unit, the Grimes Unit, and the McPherson Unit for female offenders.

TOTAL BIENNIAL BUDGET

The total biennial appropriation request is $2.345 million for each year.

FUNDING SOURCE

Funding sources include approximately 89.2% General Revenue and 10.8% Federal funds.

II) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

*Workplace Training / Federal - Increase of $15,000 each year in Operating Expense and $200,000 each yr. in the Grants line item appropriation to provide tuition and education materials to participants.

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LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATION PROVIDES FOR EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION

*Operations - Increase of $12,000 each year in General Revenue funded appropriation for building lease costs.

EXECUTIVE REC. PROVIDES FOR THE APPRO. INCREASE AND BASE LEVEL FUNDING ONLY

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*Plumbing Apprenticeship Program - Agency requests base level.

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III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS
Total positions for FY 2007-09 Biennium:38
Total budgeted positions for FY 2006-07:38
Increase /(Decrease):0

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE
- Contingency Pool Position language authorizing the establishment of two (2) classified and three (3) unclassified positions upon recommendation by DFA-OPM and approval of the Legislative Council.
- State Contribution to state employee insurance trust fund

not required on Part-Time Faculty positions.