

**RIVERSIDE VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL
AGENCY #0582 - 2009-11 BIENNIUM**

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 Departments of Correction and Community Corrections. 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, the McPherson Unit for female offenders and at some Community Corrections locations.

TOTAL BIENNIAL BUDGET

The total biennial appropriation request is approximately \$2.7 million for each year.

FUNDING SOURCE

Funding sources include approximately 88% General Revenue and 12% Federal funds.

II) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

*Workplace Training / Federal - Increase of \$50,000 each year in Grants & Aid line item due to increased participants and costs of post-secondary education.

*Operations - Increase of \$41,360 each year in Operating Expense appropriation-only for supplies and materials to begin a Cosmetology program at a Dept. of Corrections facility.

*Plumbing Apprenticeship Program - Base level.

III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS

Total positions for FY 2009-11 Biennium:38

Total budgeted positions for FY 2007-08:38

Increase / (Decrease):0

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

- State Contribution to state employee insurance trust fund not required on Part-Time Faculty positions.