

FAQ for Clean Energy Workforce Training Equipment Grant:

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Eligibility:

Q1: We have an Electrical - Round 9 grant running Fall 2025, Spring 2026 & *Summer 2026 *(it starts July 1, so falls into FY27); Will we be able to include students participating in summer 2026 as part of this grant?

A1: Yes

Q2: We currently have an HVAC course about to begin and we will be applying for an implementation/ continuation for HVAC for the fall. The current grant runs until 6/26. Am I able to apply for HVAC Equipment?

A2: Yes, current CTI grantees with active grants in school year '25-'26 and/or summer 2026, supporting training in the following pathways: HVAC and/or electrical are eligible

Letter of Support:

Q1: Could this come from Super, Principal or Vocational Coordinator?

A1: The letter of support should demonstrate support from leadership and is intended to be from a Superintendent or Principal. If the letter is from the Vocational Coordinator, they should have the letter co-signed by leadership.

Q2: Is there a specific format to follow?

A2: There is no specific format or template required, but the file should be uploaded as a PDF.

Budget:

Q1: Can you clarify the Training/Professional Development (for one instructor) - is this in person once equipment arrives/installed?

A1: The vendor provides an orientation on basic functions of equipment upon delivery. (This does not count towards the ten hours of professional development.) The equipment package also includes up to ten hours of professional development (PD) that can be customized, and delivered live or virtually depending on the vendor and topic. (e.g. the iConnect quote is for virtual PD; the Amatrol quote reflects live and/or virtual and topics may include how to set up classes, customize courses etc.)

Q2: If we purchase two equipment packages and plan to use two instructors, what are the options for budgeting stipends and professional development?

A2: If you request two equipment packages and plan to utilize two different instructors, you may enter \$1,120 X 2. This indicates that each instructor will participate in both professional development *and* attend the COP.

If one instructor is receiving two pieces of equipment, then the applicant could request \$1,120 to participate in professional development and the COP, and an additional \$800 for professional development related to the second piece of equipment.

Q3: If we add two instructors, is it an extra \$800 in Professional Development per instructor?

A3: The Budget is used to indicate desired equipment, and to request stipends to be paid to the schools to support instructors' participation in the Community of Practice and/or Professional Development; For example if you choose to include two instructors in the professional development, and would like to request stipends for each of them, enter \$800x 2 (\$1,600) into the budget with an explanation and it will be evaluated.

Learning Management System/License costs

Q1: What is the cost of software package renewal after the first year?

A1: See below from representatives:

- **IConnect:** "NPI Learn is currently in a beta development phase, and we are excited to launch it; during this phase, access is no charge.

We plan to offer an annual subscription that allows access to our LMS for
\$180/student/year (\$15/student/month)

- Instructor seats are included
- minimum account size is 10 students (unique user email ID)
- instructors will be able to add their student roster
- LMS includes labs, theory chapters, interactive ebooks, quizzes, a glossary, interactive games and other valuable features

- **Amatrol:** The interactive multimedia along with the powerful LMS is \$3500

Reporting:

Q1: I understand we need to count both CTI students and night students in the total persons trained. The demographics wording suggests we only need to report on CTI students' demographics...is that correct?

A1: Yes, only CTI students' demographic information needs to be collected and reported to Commonwealth Corporation Foundation.

Q2: If CTI only, will all demographics requested already be captured in the existing Apricot DB?

A2: Yes; schools will check a box in Apricot if the student is trained on equipment, and demographics will be captured in Apricot and reported for this grant.

Dimensions:

Q1: What are the dimensions of the equipment?

A1: See below:

Vendor	Unit of Equipment	Dimensions	Power Requirements (Amperage)	Notes
Amatrol	850-AECSL	70"W x 75"H x 28"D	5	
Amatrol	85-SPA			Part of 850-AECSL/850-AESSL
Amatrol	85-SPS1		20	Part of 850-AECSL/850-AESSL
Amatrol	850-AESSL	70"W x 75"H x 28"D	5	
Amatrol	950-SPF1	80"W x 76"H x 29"D	20	
Amatrol	95-SPA1	I don't have dimensions but it's around 24"W x 36"D	20	
Amatrol	950-SPT1SL	80"W x 76"H x 29"D	20	
Amatrol	T7100	96"W x 26"D x 75.5" H	20	
iConnect	Heat Pump Trainer with Invertor Compressor & R290 Refrigerant	34"L x 16"W x 17"H, approx. 80 pounds uncrated		