

Review of Deliverables

East Mississippi Community College
TAACCCT Grant Number: TC-25149-13-60-A-28

Name of Reviewer: Roger Whitlock

Qualifications of Reviewer: I have 31 years of experience in education, the last 12 as a Dean of Workforce Education and Training at East Central Community College. I helped develop workforce deliverables for the West Alabama – East Mississippi *Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development* initiative and other U.S. Department of Labor grants.

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Deliverable Reviewed: East Mississippi Community College, Golden Triangle Modern Manufacturing Project, Open Source Sites for Academic Instruction and Remediation. Action 4.3 in the project work plan call for the college to expand usage of self-paced, open-source, online, academic instruction/remediation resources. The related deliverable is to be a list of open source sites to be used.

Comments: Upon review of this deliverable, the reviewer recognizes that East Mississippi Community College has wisely selected a broad and diverse set of subject matter content that is supplemental for credit and non-credit participants, as well as those who need remediation to become eligible for training offerings. These distance learning resources appear to enable all levels of users to benefit from instruction that ranges from basic (secondary school) instruction to college/university level advanced instruction. The resources are even beneficial to potential participants who need remediation prior to enrolling in grant-funded EMCC sessions. These sites appear to 'meet learners at their current level of comprehension' and move them to the desired level of technical understanding. Academic instruction as well as personal/professional worker development are addressed adequately by each and all sites. These options should make this deliverable sufficient for the EMCC students, trainees and remedial candidates, as well as future grantees who seek to replicate this type of instructional service. The grant goals should be achieved more comprehensively and at levels that serve users whether remedial, academic or current/future workforce members.

The reviewer agrees that the college, via this deliverable, has structured assistance for users of these resources to obtain convenient and standardized access to these quality sites allowing learners to reach a level of learning entitling them to enroll into grant offerings or utilize the available content to benefit from accessing these advanced resources to attain heightened technical/performance awareness.

- Approved, no issues or concerns**
 Approved with suggested revisions
 Denied, needs rework



Signature of Reviewer

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