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A Note from the Editor

*I am retiring Feb. 1, and consequently this is the last issue of CTE Trends I will assemble and edit. Over the course of the more than 17 years I've worked for the Colorado Community College System, **CTE Trends** has been one of the most enjoyable projects. Working with incredibly dedicated people, we have attempted to make **Trends** a vital and dynamic newsletter. The suggestions and information that you have sent has made it better and more exciting. I can honestly say that I will miss working on **Trends** and I will especially miss the many fine CTE teachers, administrators and students with whom I have worked. It has been a distinct privilege and singular honor.*

*Rest assured that **CTE Trends** will continue, and I have no doubt become better and more relevant as **Victoria Ekelund** takes the editorial helm.*

*Thanks for making **Colorado CTE** a force for positive change and a vital, dynamic educational opportunity for tens-of-thousands of Colorado students!*

I will miss you all.

Doug Hawk

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CVA in 2008 Legislative Session

Coming up in the 2008 Legislative Session, a bill will be proposed to revise the Colorado Vocational Act (CVA). The proposed legislation addresses audit recommendations from the 2006 Perkins/CVA State Audit, updates language to reflect changes in the federal Perkins Act, and changes how the district allocation is determined to be based on actual CTE costs and actual CTE FTE rather than estimated CTE costs and FTE.

The changes proposed in this bill come from extensive work by many CTE advocates including secondary CTE administrators, teachers, CFO's, and staff from the Colorado Department of Education and the Colorado Community College System.

Following is a link of a flyer that legislators will receive informing them about CTE and the proposed changes that will simplify and clarify the Colorado Vocational Act.
http://www.coloradostateplan.com/NewsNote/CVA_LegislativeFlyer.pdf

We know you will want to follow this bill as it passes through the legislature. CACTE, CACTA and CCCS will publish updates on their respective websites as the bill moves through the legislative process.

If you have any questions about the CVA changes, please contact Dan Lucero (coloradoacte@juno.com), Steve Alkire (salkire@greeleyschools.org) or Brian Jenkins (brian.jenkins@cccs.edu).

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SAVE THE DATE! CACTA Mid-Winter Conference

Theme: The CTE Challenge - Preparing Students for the 21st Century
Who: Career and technical administrators and other interested members
When: February 6-8, 2008
Where: The Antler's Hotel
4 S Cascade Avenue
Colorado Springs, CO 80903
Cost: \$180 full registration

Register online and pay by credit card at:

<https://ssl.boulder.net/arapahoe/cacta-online-registration.html>

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Holyoke Senior Awarded MLK Humanitarian Award

Elisa Sagehorn, a senior at Holyoke High School, was among four other individuals and two projects awarded a Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Humanitarian Award, Jan. 17.

Sagehorn was nominated for the award by HHS business instructor and FBLA advisor Kristina Ham. In the nomination letter, Ham described Sagehorn as a student who stands out in her mind as Rising to Excellence, fitting of the HHS motto and is a student "always reaching for the next level and pushing herself further."

Sagehorn is involved in a number of activities, and has exceeded expectations in the local FBLA chapter. She is one of two chairpersons for the HHS FBLA chapter community project, on which she worked over seven months to organize a telethon to raise money for the Melissa Memorial Hospital building project. With the community's help, the FBLA chapter collected items valued at \$3,699.86 to be auctioned off. By the end of the telethon, over \$11,000 was collected, and combined with proceeds received preceding the telethon and funds from a silent auction, the total raised was over \$26,000.

Humanitarian award recipients will be honored at a private reception on Martin Luther King Jr. Day at Boettcher Concert Hall in Denver. A concert by the Colorado Symphony Orchestra will follow at 7 p.m. Tickets for the event are available at the Blair Caldwell African American Research Library, the Central Denver Library and the Colorado Civil Rights Division.

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MCC Offering EMT Basic Courses in Five Communities

Morgan Community College is offering Emergency Medical Technician Basic classes in five communities spring semester. Classes began this week and will run through the first week in May. The EMT Basic courses are being offered in Akron, Bennett, Fort Morgan, Idalia and Limon. After completing the courses, students are eligible to take EMT Certification Examination.

MCC is also offering First Responder courses in Fort Morgan and Strasburg.

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LCC to Hold Horse Driving Clinic, March 7-9

The Lamar Community College Agriculture Department will offer a Horse Driving Clinic, a unique opportunity, March 7-9, for lifelong learners to gain practical skills. The course teaches participants the basics of properly harnessing and driving single and two-horse teams. Clinic curriculum also includes understanding the harness and its parts, hitching and driving, and safety.

The clinic will occur on Friday and Saturday, March 7 and 8, 9am to 5pm, and Sunday, March 9, 9am to 1pm at LCC's Horse Training Facility in Lamar. Additionally, all clinic participants are encouraged to attend an annual Farm Days event, north of La Junta, the following weekend at no additional charge.

The registration fee for the three-day clinic is \$375 or \$200 for current LCC students. Those interested in observing the clinic lectures/demonstrations may for a \$50/day fee. All harnessing equipment and horses will be supplied. Light and draft horses breeds will be used and all horses are well-trained and gentle.

Instruction is provided by professional horse driving expert, Delbert Jones, and his assistants. All instructors have at a minimum of ten years of experience driving light to draft horses.

Based on the success and attendance at this clinic, LCC plans to hold additional clinics for larger teams and further increase student skills and knowledge.

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Boulder TEC to Seek New Director

Boulder TEC Director Mike Rask has resigned from the Boulder Valley School District. Former Fairview High School principal Bill Van Howe is acting Interim Director of Boulder TEC for the remainder of the 2007-2008 school year. A new director will be appointed for the 2008-2009 school year.

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Statewide Hearings Set for Carl D. Perkins and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006

Educators, administrators, parents, employers, labor organizations and other community members are invited to participate in a presentation followed by discussions on Colorado's State Plan for the implementation of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006 (Perkins IV). The purpose of Perkins IV is to assist students in preparation for high skill, high wage and high demand occupations and/or postsecondary education and/or training.

Four regional public hearings are scheduled during January/February from 4 to 6 p.m. each scheduled day. An electronic copy of the Colorado State Plan can be found at <http://www.coloradostateplan.com>.

The public hearing schedule is:

1. Greeley: Jan. 25, Aims Community College, College Center, Rooms 727-729, 5401 W. 20th St., Greeley
2. Denver: Jan. 31, Colorado Community College System, President's Conference Room, 9101 E. Lowry Blvd., Denver
3. Pueblo: Feb. 5, Pueblo Community College, College Center, Fortino Ballroom, 900 W. Orman Ave., Pueblo

An initial hearing was held in Durango, Jan. 15.

Information will be provided to participants on the grant's impacts on Career and Technical Education (CTE) at the secondary and postsecondary levels, have an opportunity to learn about the new Perkins State Plan for CTE, including federal expectations, and provide comments and questions to CCCS staff.

The Colorado Community College System (CCCS) is facilitating these public hearings. For more information please contact, Pat Sagrillo, Administrative Assistant to the CCCS CTE Dean, at (303) 595-1568, or pat.sagrillo@cccs.edu.

Important Information and Links

Check out the link to the Colorado Career Cluster Model and the Plans of Study templates on the Colorado State Plan website at www.coloradostateplan.com. Click on the link "career clusters/plans of study", and review in the "news and notes" section two PEARLS (Projecting Excellence and Rewarding Learning) submitted by Pickens Technical College and Thompson R-2J School District highlighting two "promising practices" in CTE.

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Regional CTE Workshops for Instructors, Counselors, Advisors Slated

The Colorado Community College System (CCCS) will be in your vicinity with four day-long and one half-day Career and Technical Education workshops that will introduce CTE instructors, high school counselors and college advisors to Career Clusters, Career Pathways and Plans of Study.

Each secondary school district and postsecondary institution needs to prepare a Plan of Study for one of its CTE programs to include with their Perkins Local Five-Year Plan. All CTE programs, secondary and postsecondary, will eventually be required to have local Plans of Study in place.

Secondary teachers are encouraged to invite their school counselors to attend the workshop with them and postsecondary advisors are also encouraged to attend.

Jan. 25, 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. NOW FULL	Aims Community College, 5401 W. 20th St., College Center, Rooms 727-729, Greeley
Feb. 5, 12:30-4:30 p.m.	Pueblo Community College, 900 W. Orman Ave., College Center, Fortino Ballroom, Pueblo
Feb. 13, 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. NOW FULL	Colorado Community College System Office, 9101 E. Lowry Blvd., Presidents' Conference Room, Denver
Mar. 14, 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Colorado Community College System Office, 9101 E. Lowry Blvd., Presidents' Conference Room, Denver

Tentative Agenda:

- I) Overview of Career Clusters**
 - a) Career Clusters
 - b) Career Pathways
 - c) Pathways and Credentialing – How do they fit together?
- II) Plans of Study**
 - a) Template
 - b) Examples of Plans of Study
- III) College In Colorado – Choices Website**
 - a) How to use the website in your classroom
- IV) Afternoon session (full-day workshops only)**
 - a) Individual meetings with program directors
 - b) Work time to develop Plan of Study

Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided at full-day workshops. Registration is required. Please go to <http://www.rsvpbook.com/event.php?95626> to register. Seating is limited. Questions can be referred to a Program Director (see <http://www.cccs.edu/CTE/index.html>) or Pat Sagrillo at 303-595-1568 or pat.sagrillo@cccs.edu.

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NNWE and NAPE to Hold Joint Conference April 6-9 in Washington, DC Seeking Presenters

For the first time, Women Work! The National Network for Women's Employment and the National Alliance for Partnerships in Equity join forces to bring you four days of best-practice sharing, skill building and federal policy. Don't miss this unique chance to learn from the experts and from your peers. Gain new strategies for preparing a diverse workforce for high-skill, high-wage careers in your states and

communities. Conference information can be found at:
<http://www.womenwork.org/network/conferences.htm>

Please consider presenting at the joint NAPE/Women Work! Conference. Go to:
<http://www.womenwork.org/network/conferences/conrfp.htm>

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Be a Link! - Strategic Plan Topic Teams

The CCCS Career and Technical Education Perkins new State Plan website (www.coloradostateplan.com) has added new items of interest!

On the left hand side of the page you will see a new menu item called "Library". Here are resources for your use. The Library is updated regularly, so stop by often.

You can reach this website directly using the www.coloradostateplan.com address or you can go to the CCCS home page (www.ccs.edu) then click on Career & Tech Education, and then click on Colorado State Plan Website.

Partnership effort with Business and Industry

CCCS is collecting information to develop a strategic plan to enhance career and technical education. The plan will include both high school and community college level programs in Colorado.

Expertise from business and industry is highly valued by career and technical educators. This survey is referring to Career and Technical Education in general and not to any specific CTE program. The results will help guide the future direction of Career & Technical Education in Colorado.

We would appreciate your help in getting the word out to your contacts in the business world. The survey is located on the CCCS State Plan Website, right hand column: www.coloradostateplan.com.

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2008 VE-135 Deadlines

CCCS is required by law to collect the VE-135 follow-up and enrollment data each year in order to comply with the accountability requirements set forth by both the state funded Colorado Vocational Act (CVA) and the federally funded Carl D. Perkins Act. The VE-135 enrollment and follow-up data affect your CVA reimbursements, program renewals (5-year trend reports), whether or not you qualify for the extra Perkins reserve funds, and your Perkins performance sub-indicators. Other reports may be produced internally throughout the year for CCCS staff from the data in order to maintain, as well as continually improve, CTE in Colorado.

- You **must report the VE-135 data** even if you do NOT receive state or federal funding for your approved CTE programs.
- If you **contract with another school** to send your students to attend their approved CTE program, then your school is required to provide the VE-135 student enrollment and follow-up data to the contractor institution and they in

turn are responsible for reporting the data to CCCS. Both institutions are responsible for implementing a system between them in order to assimilate the data for reporting to CCCS.

The VE-135 reporting deadlines for the 2007-2008 academic year are:

Follow-up deadline-March 1, 2008

Enrollment deadline-June 30, 2008

Contact Julie Eddy at julie.eddy@cccs.edu or 303-595-1527 with any CTE data reporting questions or comments. Thank you for all of your reporting efforts!

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Electronic Revisions for Program Approvals

All revisions to existing CTE programs must be entered in the electronic Program Approval system at www.cccs.edu. Click on Career and Technical Education and follow the Program Approval prompts.

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Colorado CTE Event Calendar

For upcoming meetings and events related to career and technical education, please see our online Colorado CTE Event Calendar at www.calendarwiz.com/ctecalendar. You will see a drop down calendar category choice, which will let you limit the event types you would like to view to "General CTE" or "Career and Technical Student Organizations" or "All" events. Just click on an event to see a pop up window with event details such as event contacts, location, maps, websites, etc. You even have the ability to download events directly to your personal Outlook calendar. Contact Julie Eddy at julie.eddy@cccs.edu or 303-595-1527 with any questions, comments, or event additions.

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Valuable CTE Websites

CCCS CTE Perkins new State Plan: www.coloradostateplan.com

CTE Directory: http://www.cccs.edu/Docs/CTE/Voc_Director_Directory.pdf

ACTE: www.acteonline.org

CACTE: www.cacte.org

Colorado Community College System: <http://www.cccs.edu/>

Colorado DECA Newsletter: <http://www.deca.cccs.edu/NEWSLETTER.HTM>

Colorado DECA: www.deca.cccs.edu

Colorado Technology Education Association: www.cteaonline.org

Credentialing Office: <http://www.coloradocredentialing.org/>

CTE Forms and Reports from CCCS: <http://www.cccs.edu/CTE/FormsReports.html>

E-Colorado: <http://www.e-colorado.org>

FBLA Newsletter: <http://www.fbla-pbl.cccs.edu/newsletters.htm>

FBLA-PBL: <http://www.fbla-pbl.cccs.edu/>

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FFA: <http://www.njc.edu/ffa/>

HOSA: <http://www.hosa.cccs.edu>

Secondary CTE Job Board: <http://www.cccs.edu/HR/CTE-JobBoard.html>

SkillsUSA: www.skillsusa.cccs.edu

TSA Colorado: <http://www.cotsa.cccs.edu/>

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