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A Note from the Editor

Please feel free to contact me with any news or information that you feel should be included in CTE Trends. I appreciate your patience with me as I step in to fill Doug's shoes. I welcome your feedback as to what changes, if any, you would like to see. My contact information: victoria.ekelund@cccs.edu.

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Senate Bill 17 – Concerning Credentialing for Occupational Education Teachers

In the 2008 Legislative Session, the Legislative Audit Committee (LAC) is sponsoring (SB17). Primarily, this bill affects the location of the issuance of secondary CTE credentials.

From the 2006 CVA/Perkins Audit report, the statutory authority for the issuance of secondary CTE credentials lies with the Colorado Department of Education (CDE). The Audit recommended that CCCS and CDE adhere to Colorado State Statute. CCCS and CDE agree. This Audit recommendation was first discussed at the CACTE conference in July 2006. Through 2007, CCCS and CDE worked together with the State Auditors Office to determine the course of action needed to comply with State statute. It was determined that the issuance of secondary CTE credentials would move to CDE on July 1, 2009. In late Fall 2007, CCCS, CDE and the State Auditors Office determined it was necessary to run legislation to clarify the timing of the move to CDE. The legislation was drafted in late November/early December and presented to the Legislative Audit Committee in December.

CCCS and CDE recommended an 18-month transition period. This extended period of transition time was accepted by the State Auditor and the LAC to allow a period of transition sufficient enough in length to develop the necessary databases, software, and processes at CDE. This timeline also will ensure that secondary CTE credentialing issuance turn-around time will not be compromised. CDE is dedicated to an efficient process that serves CTE teachers well and CCCS will be heavily involved in the development of the secondary CTE credentialing database, software and processes at CDE.

With the transition of issuance, the fees currently collected by CCCS will be transferred to CDE so that CDE may fund the appropriate level of personnel for secondary CTE credential issuance.

As we update our CTE Credentialing practices to adhere to statute, CCCS remains committed to issuing CTE credentials as efficiently as possible. Please note that through all of this change, CCCS continues to establish the credentialing criteria for all secondary and postsecondary teachers/faculty, manage the exceptions process and

monitor issuance.

We are committed to making this change as easy as possible. If you have any questions as we move forward with this process, do not hesitate to contact Brian Jenkins at brian.jenkins@cccs.edu. We know you will be interested in the progress of the bill, so we will post updates on the CCCS website (www.coloradostateplan.com) through the Legislative Session.

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**Faculty of the Year to be recognized Feb 13 –
SBCCOE Board Meeting at CCA which starts at 10:45 a.m.**

Karen Ann Ellis -Career and Technical Educator of the Year

With more than 33 years as a Career and Technical Education instructor and administrator, Karen Ann Ellis is an expert in all facets of CTE from teaching to CTE program evaluation and research. Karen has worked in numerous positions for Denver Public Schools and Emily Griffith Opportunity School. The recipient of many awards, she serves on a variety of taskforces, committees, work groups and holds offices in several organizations. Karen holds a Bachelors of Science Degree and a Masters Degree in Career and Technical Education and Administration from Colorado State University. She also has a Career and Technical Education Credential with various endorsements and holds a Professional Secondary Principal and Master Teacher's License.

Brandon Berman - Front Range Community College

Brandon Berman joined Front Range Community College in 2001 as a part-time instructor in the multimedia graphic design department, becoming a full-time faculty member in 2005. With a passion for multimedia and teaching, Brandon has been experimenting with various multimedia technologies since the early 1980s. His real-world experience translates well to the classroom as the founder and CEO of a web development company, as well as a software trainer, and a webmaster for a major communications corporation. Brandon holds a Master of Arts from the Center for Humanistic Studies in Detroit, a Bachelor of Arts from the University of New Mexico, and an associate of applied science and certificates in multimedia technology from Red Rocks Community College.

Cindy Buckley - Pikes Peak Community College

A full time faculty member at Pikes Peak Community College Early Childhood Education program for 16 years, Cindy Buckley served eight years on the Faculty Senate, three as vice-president and three as president. She also served as interim dean and has been an assistant dean for seven years. Her peers elected her this year to serve as a faculty representative on the PPCC Leadership Council. Active in efforts for young children, families and early childhood professionals, she serves on many committees and articulation initiatives for early childhood educators. Prior to moving to Colorado, Cindy was with the child development program at Napa Junior College and a teacher at the A.S. Children's Center at California State University, Chico.

Stan Eubanks - San Juan Basin Technical College

Stan Eubanks started at San Juan Basin Technical College as a student in the Electronics Technology program in 1989. After receiving his certificate in Electronics and AAS degree from Pueblo Community College, Stan went to work for Moss TV and Appliance in Cortez as an electronic technician. At the same time, he served on the advisory board for the college's Electronics Technology Department and, in 1997, became a fulltime instructor in electronics technology. Keeping his curriculum relevant, current and with a teaching style that fosters learning and fun, Stan's students return

to his classes to keep their skills sharp. His students have praised him as “awesome” for promoting the “the important things (that lead to) a good job.”

Aroxie Feldman - Emily Griffith Opportunity School

Aroxie Feldman, Early Childhood Education instructor at Emily Griffith Opportunity School, is in her forty-fourth year at EGOS. She began in 1964 and over the years has worked with preschool children and taught Head Start and parenting skills to abusive parents. In 1986 she began working with adults teaching early childhood skills and in 1989 introduced the Early Childhood Professions program that she teaches today. Aroxie is a representative of the Council for Professional Recognition that grants child development associate credentials. With her many years of experience, she brings to her students a first-hand perspective, providing them a balanced set of skills. Her students’ high success rate is testimony to her dedication and commitment.

Tim Grauberger - Morgan Community College

Tim Grauberger, an 18-year veteran instructor at Morgan Community College, was also MCC Faculty of the Year in 1999. Teaching Automotive Collision Repair to high school and college students, he has received high praise for motivating students through positive reinforcement and high expectations. Considered a role model by colleagues and students alike, Tim believes teaching is a calling. He has a strong working relationship with an active advisory board that represents all of Northeastern Colorado. Tim helped plan and design Elm Hall that was specifically built for the Automotive Service and Collision Repair programs. He earned an associate’s degree at Northeastern Junior College and a bachelor’s in vocational education at Colorado State University.

Marlene May - Pueblo Community College

A graduate of Pueblo Community College’s Radiologic Technology program, Marlene May returned to teach in the department. She chairs the Mentoring Committee, is a member of the Academic Quality Improvement Program’s Virtual Campus initiative, and helps coordinate activities for the Rad Tech program’s two student clubs. Marlene left her native Pueblo to live and work in the South where she earned an associate degree in electronics from Garland County Community College in Arkansas. She returned to Pueblo to work for Unisys until the plant closed in 1994 when she enrolled at PCC. Marlene continued her studies via correspondence, completing a bachelor’s degree in Health Arts from the University of St. Francis in Joliet, IL.

Daniel Nanio - Pickens Technical College

Employed in Aurora Public Schools for more than 20 years, Daniel Nanio joined Pickens Tech three years ago. He started at William Smith High School where he taught for 16 years, then became a District Secondary Literacy Coach for three years. Prior to joining Aurora Public Schools, Daniel was employed in private business and served for eight years as program coordinator for the Upward Bound Program at Trinidad State Junior College. Holding a Bachelor of Arts degree, he also attended TSJC’s Machine Tool/Gunsmithing program, completing a two year Associate of Applied Arts degree and the third year certificate program. An avid whitewater rafter, Daniel also competes in several shooting sports and is a certified NRA instructor.

Samme Ormiston - Otero Junior College

An instructor in Business Technologies Department at Otero Junior College, Samme Ormiston is appreciated for her professionalism and pleasant personality. Armed with enormous energy and boundless enthusiasm for teaching and described as “a true asset to the teaching profession,” Samme is dedicated to her students’ success, spending countless hours in and out of the classroom to make certain they have every opportunity to succeed. In addition to her primary workload, she teaches overload courses in the evenings as well as guided study courses, and has taught for Adams

State College. Samme is active on campus and in the communities surrounding OJC including La Junta, Las Animas and Rocky Ford.

Jerry Viola - Arapahoe Community College

Jerry Viola, automotive instructor at Arapahoe Community College, has had a 40-year love affair with cars that began when he was a teenager in Buffalo, N.Y. For 30 years he worked for General Motors, Ford, and Volkswagen dealerships and then enrolled in ACC's Automotive Technology program and served on the Automotive Department's advisory committee. He remains on the board and became an ACC adjunct faculty member during his tenure with the Boulder County Sheriff's department as the sole fleet maintenance technician for more than 120 patrol, rescue and animal control vehicles. After retiring from his own automotive repair business in 2006, Jerry became full-time faculty and chair of ACC's Automotive Department, which he plans to make into the "Harvard of Automotive Technology."

Sheryl Williams - Delta Montrose Technical College

Teaching Horticulture and Landscape Professions at Delta Montrose Technical College for five years, Sheryl Williams loves watching "the lights go on in a student's eyes" as they learn. Using science and math with aesthetics and beauty, she instills a love of gardening in each student. Recently, she became coordinator of the DMTC Community Education program. Sheryl's diverse background includes experience as a choral conductor and as an accountant for both a "Big Eight" firm and the owner of her own computerized accounting implementation company. An Advanced Master Gardener, her home garden is called "Garnet Mesa Botanical Gardens."

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Career Development Center's Auto Technology program earns national certification for its General Service Technician curriculum by the National Institute for Automotive Excellence (ASE) and the National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation (NATEF).

According to Principal Alan Stroh the certification took seven years to complete. He is now finalizing an articulation agreement with the automotive program at Aims Community College. "It makes perfect sense," says Stroh, "ensuring our kids a seamless transition to postsecondary education and career training. Our goal is industry and educational excellence through rigor and relevance."

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CCA Accounting Students Offer Free Tax Prep Services

Accounting students from the Community College of Aurora (CCA) will participate in the Piton Foundation's Tax Help Colorado program this year.

Tax Help Colorado is a pilot program at the CCA to provide free income-tax return preparation to lower- and moderate-income working families in Colorado. With the successful launch of the CCA pilot program, other community colleges in Colorado will offer these accounting classes to provide more tax sites in the community.

A total of 27 CCA students took Accounting 132 and Accounting 133 which teach students income tax preparation and give them the hands-on experience running the tax site and are accredited and certified by the Internal Revenue Service.

CCA will offer free tax preparation clinics Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Monday's from 6 - 8 p.m. at CCA's Lowry Campus in Building 903, Room 113 (710 Alton Way).

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Colorado FCCLA State Leadership Conference and Food Events Competition – April 3 - 5

Colorado Family, Career and Community Leaders of America's (FCCLA's) 2008 State Leadership Conference and Food Events Competition preparations are in full swing: state officers have been working on scriptwriting, keynote speakers for both activities are lined up, event chairs are set and judges are being recruited. Please contact Judy Heath at jheath@bresnan.net if you are interested and available to judge an FCCLA competitive event on Friday, April 4.

FCCLA advisers have received the 2008 Call to Conference and the electronic registration websites are open. This year there will be two separate electronic websites – one for State Leadership Conference and one for the Food Events Competition. An adviser or sponsor must be registered along with students at each registration site. On-time electronic registration will close at 10 p.m., Friday, February 22, and State Conference and Food Events Competition payments must be received by Friday, March 7.

Questions? Check the website at www.fccla.cccs.edu or contact FCCLA State Adviser Patti Krattenmaker at patti.krattenmaker@cccs.edu.

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Miles with Morgan –

Keep up with National FFA Central Region Vice-President Morgan Parker with his publication of "[Miles with Morgan](#)". Parker is a Colorado native and a member of the Limon FFA Chapter; he also served as the 2006-07 Colorado FFA State President.

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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 next public hearing scheduled is:

1. Pueblo: Feb. 5, Pueblo Community College, College Center, Fortino Ballroom, 900 W. Orman Ave., Pueblo

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.

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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."

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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.

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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2008 VE-135 Announcements

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-extended only for this year to April 1, 2008
Enrollment deadline-June 30, 2008

NEW! For the follow-up (due this year on April 1st), you will no longer see the special placement code for the Family & Consumer Science Core or Teen Parent Core programs. You must use the standard placement codes for these students from now forward.

NEW! If you are attending the February CACTA conference, technical assistance with the VE-135 will be available on an individual basis. Please check the schedule at the CCCS table in the vendor area if you are interested.

NEW! The first VE-135 Friday workshop is scheduled for February 15th at the system office. The topic will be on creating follow-up text files. If you are interested in attending, you must RSVP to Julie Eddy 1 day prior to the workshop. We plan to keep these workshops small for more individualized assistance.

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/0708documents/DECA_fall_newsletter_07EV.pdf

Colorado DECA: www.deca.cccs.edu

Colorado Technology Education Association: www.cteaonline.org

Credentialing Office: http://www.coloradostateplan.com/default_cred.htm

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.cccs.edu/fbla_newsletter.htm

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

FCCLA: www.fccla.cccs.edu

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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