

# CTE TRENDS

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## CTE Quote

"As a state we need to train our own residents to provide the workforce needs for our state. We shouldn't be importing people to take good paying Colorado jobs. Career and Technical Education is that training ground."

*Jim Isgar*

*Colorado State Senator*

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## Open House for Unique Program in Colorado Community College System

Arapahoe Community College will host a Cadaver Program Open House on March 24, 1:30 – 3 p.m., in the Main Building, Room M3122. The open house will allow students, faculty, staff and the community the opportunity to learn more about the anatomy and physiology programs at ACC. Human gross anatomy is fundamental to health care education, providing students with the most basic foundation for clinical practice.

The face of next generation's health care professionals is ever changing. ACC's Enterprise Workshops are providing a catalyst for this change by empowering and educating south metro Denver's high school students interested in careers in the health care profession. ACC provides cadaver workshops to area high school, vocational and college students in the hopes of helping students identify their areas of interest and passion as it relates to the sciences and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) topics in general. The ACC Enterprise Workshops are an example of efforts ACC is making to fulfill its commitment to creating a seamless transition from high school to college using the P-20 model. [YourHub complete story>>](#)

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## Highlight on Pueblo Technical Academy

The Pueblo Technical Academy (PTA) is a Science/Technology Magnet school in Pueblo District 70. What makes this school distinctive is the daily integration of computer technology with traditional methods of instruction.

At PTA, a school dedicated to the concept of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math), high school students of all ability levels are strengthening their skills and preparing themselves for higher education in a strong college preparatory program and for the world of work. A strong core academic program of mathematics, English, social sciences, and the sciences is taught at the school. Computers and other interactive technologies are integrated into a highly effective instructional curriculum. Computer-aided drafting and design (CADD) is taught at each of the four

levels. Integration among disciplines is a key component. Students apply their skills across the curriculum through many [integrated projects](#) that also require teamwork, organization, problem solving and other "real life" skills.

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### CVA Training Schedule

CCCS staff will conduct interactive trainings on CVA Final Financial Reporting for teachers and administrators at various locations around the state in March, April and May. If you want to attend a workshop, please contact [Dave Eberle](#) at (720) 858-2773. (RSVPs are required.)

**Please note: The training on March 21 will be the only training to include Perkins Reimbursement Voucher training.** If you cannot make March 21<sup>st</sup> training but would like **help with Perkins**, please contact [Rachel Erbert](#), 720-858-2760. For **Perkins Local Plan Training**, contact [Lorrie Toni](#), 303-595-1565. For **VE-135 Training**, contact [Julie Eddy](#), 303-595-1527. The remaining trainings are for CVA financial reporting only.

Date	Time	City	Location
March 21	8:00 am-Noon	Denver – Camp V	CCCS, Building 959, Presidents Conference Room
March 25	1:00-4:00	Sterling	NJC, Hays Student Center, Room 230
April 1	9:00 am-Noon	Ft. Collins	FRCC – Harmony Library Community Room
April 2	9:00 am-Noon	Craig	CNCC – Bell Tower Building, Room 201
April 16	9:00 am-Noon	Cortez	SJBTC – Main building, Room 208
April 17	9:00 am-Noon	Alamosa	TSJC building, Room 129
May 2	9:00 am-Noon	Grand Junction	WCCC – Building B, Room 151
May 14	9:00 am-Noon	La Junta	OJC – Student Center Conference Room
May 15	9:00 am-Noon	Pueblo	PCC – GATC Building, Room 104

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### FACS Professional Development Workshops

All workshops are FREE (lunch provided) and held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. [Registration](#) is due by June 1, 2008. Contact [Miki Gann](#) if you sign up and are unable to attend. A waitlist is kept as the workshops have limited space.

Wednesday, June 11	<b>Web Research &amp; Tools:</b> Professional tips to maximize your efforts
Thursday, June 12 and Friday, June 13	<b>Webquests:</b> Learn to develop and create one for classroom use
Monday, June 16	<b>Design Day:</b> Interior Design/morning; Fashion Design/afternoon
Tuesday, June 17	<b>FCCLA Day:</b> Join a National FCCLA Consultant team member and learn how to recruit and retain members
Wednesday, June 18 and Thursday, June 19	<b>Focus on FAC CORE Programs:</b> Wed-Relationships & Life Mgmt; Thurs-Nutrition & Wellness and Child & Adolescent Development
Friday, June 20	<b>Catering:</b> Tips and techniques from community college facility

To download the Professional Development Workshop Flyer:  
[http://www.fccla.cccs.edu/07-08\\_documents/2008InserviceWorkshops.pdf](http://www.fccla.cccs.edu/07-08_documents/2008InserviceWorkshops.pdf)

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### **Career Counseling Pioneer Mark Savickas to Speak**

The **Colorado Career Development Association (CCDA)** is a state affiliate of the [National Career Development Association](#) (NCDA). The mission of the Colorado Career Development Association is to promote the career development of all people throughout the lifespan. To achieve this, CCDA provides services to the public and supports the advancement of the career development profession. CCDA strives to promote a sense of community; opportunities for professional development; and a diverse network of resources, expertise, and support for its members.

[Register NOW](#) for the **CCDA Spring Training, Friday, April 11** (8:30am-4:30pm) at the Marriott Courtyard Denver at Cherry Creek, featuring Mark Savickas as keynote speaker.

***This workshop will discuss and demonstrate practical techniques for using stories and articulating life themes to foster educational and career decision making.*** Participants will learn how to integrate these techniques into their ongoing practice and may even use the techniques to better understand why they became advisors and counselors, and how their own occupations allow them to advance their own life stories.

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### **Changes to CVA for FY08 Final Reporting**

In an effort to assist districts with their current year CVA reporting, CCCS has made the following minor changes for 2008:

1. **Due date extension** - Final report is now due September 1, 2008.
2. **Options for calculating teacher benefits** - Districts may record actual teacher benefit expenses or they may use a flat 28% benefit rate in place of the actual expenses.

If you have any questions, please contact [Brian Jenkins](#) , 303-595-1572.

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### **CDLE Partnership Offers Free Online Tutoring Service**

The Colorado Department of Labor and Employment (CDLE) is making a limited number of online tutoring hours available to Workforce Center partners in Colorado. SMARTHINKING, an online tutoring service, gives students an opportunity to work with live tutors online through unscheduled or pre-scheduled whiteboard chat sessions. Students may also submit papers or questions in a number of academic subjects, and receive a critique of their writing or written answers to their questions within 24 hours. Tutoring in math is available in Spanish as well as English. Once students are registered for the service through the [e-Colorado](#) learning portal, they may use it from any location via the Internet. If you would like to make this independent learning tool available to a targeted group of students, please call your local workforce center. For more information, contact Sue Klebold at (303) 318-8824 or [sue.klebold@state.co.us](mailto:sue.klebold@state.co.us).

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### **Plans of Study Review Timeline Announced**

As many of you know, Perkins 2006 requires that each district or college receiving Perkins funds have **one** approved Plan of Study in place to qualify for FY 2008-2009 funding. CCCS will review submitted plans of study starting April 1. Our hope is that each Perkins recipient (and each participant in a consortium) will submit their **one** Plan of Study no later than June 1 to allow time for review by July 1.

To submit your completed Plan of Study, email it to [Scott.Stump@cccs.edu](mailto:Scott.Stump@cccs.edu). You will receive notification if additional information is required and/or when it has been approved.

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### **Example Plans of Study Available On-line**

Plan of Study Examples for Colorado are now available on the [www.coloradostateplan.com](http://www.coloradostateplan.com) web site under "[Career Clusters/Plans of Study](#)." Each example is in Word format to allow easy local adjustments. Training materials designed to assist faculty in building their local Plans of Study can also be found on the site.

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### **Marketing Kit Available Online**

We want to help you share the dynamic effect that Career & Technical Education is having in Colorado! On the [www.coloradostateplan.com](http://www.coloradostateplan.com) website under [Marketing Kit](#), you will find a valuable array of resources to help promote the value of your programs. From newspaper articles to a video highlighting the impact of CTE, you will find easy-to-print resources to share with local leaders and decision-makers.

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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](#) if you are available to judge an FCCLA competitive event on **Friday, April 4**.

Questions? Check the web site at [www.fccla.cccs.edu](http://www.fccla.cccs.edu) or contact [Patti Krattenmaker](#).

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### **SkillsUSA "Champions at Work" State Leadership Conference**

Colorado SkillsUSA SLC will be held April 10-11 in Colorado Springs. Conference Headquarters and Leadership Events will be at the Doubletree Hotel while Pikes Peak Community College will host the Skill Contests. [Registration](#) is now open.

Questions? Check [Colorado SkillsUSA](#) web site or contact [Ben Nesbitt](#).

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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. 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!** VE-135 workshops will be held each Friday through the month of March (7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup>) at the system office from 9 am to noon (breakfast refreshments ready at 8:30). The workshops for March will cover the basics of the VE-135 follow-up, from pulling your data, gathering placement, entering the data online, building a text file submission, and validating your data. This will be hands on training with each participant at a computer in our training facilities.

If you are interested in attending, **please RSVP to [Julie Eddy](#) 3 days prior to each Friday workshop**. Space is limited to eight per workshop in order to provide for individualized assistance. After you RSVP, specifics of the classroom location will be sent to you.

Our first pilot follow-up workshop was held in February and it was a helpful learning experience for all. The May workshops will focus on enrollment reporting. If you have a suggestion for a topic that you would like to see covered, please let Julie Eddy know what that is.

**NEW!** The Perkins IV performance metrics student and measurement definitions are nearly finalized. This will mean changes to both the follow-up and enrollment data reporting for 08-09. **Please anticipate that there will be changes you will need to address in your VE-135 reporting for next year.** We will release announcements on those changes in the coming months and anticipate training on the new reporting requirements in the early fall.

Contact [Julie Eddy](#) or 303-595-1527 with any CTE data reporting questions or comments. Thank you for all of your reporting efforts!

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## CTE Leadership

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### Valuable CTE Websites

CCCS CTE Perkins new State Plan: [www.coloradostateplan.com](http://www.coloradostateplan.com)  
 CTE Directory: [http://www.cccs.edu/Docs/CTE/Voc\\_Director\\_Directory.pdf](http://www.cccs.edu/Docs/CTE/Voc_Director_Directory.pdf)  
 ACTE: [www.acteonline.org](http://www.acteonline.org)  
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 Colorado Community College System: <http://www.cccs.edu/>  
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 Colorado Technology Education Association: [www.cteaonline.org](http://www.cteaonline.org)  
 Credentialing Office: [http://www.coloradostateplan.com/default\\_cred.htm](http://www.coloradostateplan.com/default_cred.htm)  
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 CTE Forms and Reports from CCCS: <http://www.cccs.edu/CTE/FormsReports.html>  
 E-Colorado: <http://www.e-colorado.org>  
 FBLA-PBL: <http://www.fbla-pbl.cccs.edu/>  
 FCCLA: [www.fccla.cccs.edu](http://www.fccla.cccs.edu)  
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