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SAVE the Date!

Join us for the CACTA Task Force meeting, hosted by CCCS. Julie Eddy will be speaking on the pending changes to VE-135 Reporting. Thursday, November 20, 2008, Noon – 3 PM; Chapel Building #697, 1061 Akron Way, on the Lowry Campus. RSVP to Elizabeth Garcia, garciae@thompson.k12.co.us.

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CTEA Annual Conference

The CTEA Conference Planning Committee and executive board has been busy with the details for our upcoming annual conference. The Conference will be held at **Warren Tech Center** on **Thursday, November 6 and Friday, November 7**. This year our theme is ***Back to Basics: The Nuts and Bolts of Technology***. We already have exciting vendors and presentations lined up for the conference. OSHA will be present to provide an interactive presentation, various classroom teachers will share their best practices that they have used and this year Warren Tech instructors and technicians are inviting the conference attendees into their classrooms to see Learning in Action. Look forward to a preliminary program soon and update information on our website - <http://www.cteaonline.org>.

Location: Warren Tech, 13300 West 2nd Place, Lakewood, CO 80228.

Hotel Arrangements: Candlewood Suites Denver|Lakewood,

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CTE in the News

Air Traffic Controller NEW! at AIMS Community College

Aims is one of only 31 colleges and universities in the United States certified by the FAA as Air Traffic-Collegiate Training Initiative (AT-CTI) institutions. The AT-CTI program trains students through a rigorous curriculum designed to maximize their chances of success. [Read more](#) on the two year degree program and the benefits of this career path.

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Career Fair Success at Fort Morgan High School

About 1,200 high school students from Morgan County and the surrounding area packed into the Fort Morgan High School gymnasium to start off last Tuesday's [career fair](#). Out of the 80 plus career choices available at the Fair, law enforcement

and forensic science, including investigating crime scenes, were popular sessions. This is a great career choice where the demand exceeds the available candidates. Have your students check out the available programs at the [community colleges](#) for certificate and two-year degree programs in the area of Criminal Justice.

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New 'global' college program geared to working adults

CSU Global Campus classes begin Oct. 27. To read the article online on the collaboration between community colleges and four year intuitions:

<http://www.9news.com/news/article.aspx?storyid=99393&catid=188>

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CTSO Related

Samantha Davis, FCCLA Senior Officer, Attends Honors Lunch

On September 11, Samantha Davis, Crowley County High School, and Senior Officer for Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA), attended a luncheon for all students earning a perfect 36 on the ACT. Out of the nearly 50,000 juniors in the state of Colorado, Samantha was one of 22 who earned this score. During the honors lunch, Samantha had the opportunity to visit with Colorado Board of Education member Pamela Jo Suckla. They discussed education in Colorado and the direction it is moving. Miss Davis used her time to promote Career and Technical Student Organizations, as a whole, and Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, specifically, to Ms. Suckla. During the luncheon, Samantha was surprised to find out that very few of the other students were involved in any type of leadership program, many focused solely on academics. Samantha believes strongly that both Career and Technical Student Leadership Organizations (CTSOs) and these students would benefit from more of them being involved.

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Monday, October 20th is Finish Line's annual DECA Day

As a leading athletic retailer, Finish Line has set themselves apart from other companies by going this extra mile to connect our local DECA chapters/members with their 675 stores coast to coast. Finish Line is committed to establishing partnerships between their store managers and local DECA advisors.

Finish Line is asking store managers and district managers to contact local and state DECA advisors on this 6th Annual designated *DECA Day* (October 20th). The primary purpose is simple...encourage local DECA advisors to send quality DECA student members their way for employment. Finish Line currently employs over 1,000 DECA and Delta Epsilon Chi members. The goal for this year is to increase that number to 1,500.

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STEMapalooza

[STEMapalooza](#) is a free, two-day event open to the public featuring exhibitors from around the state of Colorado that support STEM programs for students and educators and employ hundreds of thousands of jobs in STEM related careers. Among the exhibitors will be the Colorado chapters of SkillsUSA and TSA (the Technology Student Association) as well as the Colorado Community College System. The goal of [STEMapalooza](#) is to bring industry, educational institutions and organizations together. October 24th and 25th at the Colorado Convention Center.

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First Annual Technology & Engineering Career Day

The Denver Nuggets in conjunction with the Technology Student Association (TSA) and SkillsUSA would like to invite all students in technology education classes to attend the inaugural TSA/SkillsUSA Technology & Engineering Career Day at Pepsi Center on Thursday, 3- 6 PM, December 4, 2008. The event will include a hands-on "Techspo" as well as a special "Professionals Behind the Scenes" seminar designed to highlight many of the off the-court careers in pro sports, including many in technology-based fields. Following Career Day, everyone is invited to watch the Denver Nuggets take on the San Antonio Spurs. Cost for the Career Day and Nuggets game admission is \$17. To [order tickets](#) or for [more information](#): contact Kenny Keblaitis, 303-405-7635

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UPDATES: Credentialing, CTA, and VE-135

CTA (formally known as CVA)

The new CTA (Career and Technical Act) is in effect for FY 2009.

In November 2007, CCCS put together a team to review the Rules and Regulations and to make recommendations for changes. This team consisted of Secondary CTE Administrators (both urban and rural), CACTA Board members and CCCS staff from Accounting, Internal Audit and CTE Compliance. With the recommendations from this team, CCCS started the process to have the Rules and Regulations changes coincide with the effective date of CTA. This process includes receiving approval of the changes from the Secretary of State and the Attorney General. The new Rules and Regulations will be effective August 6, 2008.

The next step for implementation of the CTA was to make changes to the Administrators' Handbook. Over the summer, the team that made recommendations to the Rules and Regulations did the same for the Administrators Handbook. The final version of the [CTA portion](#) of the Administrators' Handbook has been completed and is effective for FY 2009 financial reporting for CTA.

If you have any questions about the process of the Rule and Regulations or the Administrators' Handbook for CTA, please contact [Brian Jenkins](#), 303-595-1572.

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New Credentialing Class

The new EDCT 400 credentialing class - Building Student Organizations/Partnerships will be held at Prairie View High School in the Brighton School District on November 7, 8, 21 and 22. Friday's will be from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

This course replaces VE 402 and VE 403. However, if your new teachers have taken one of those and need the other, they are still offered this fall online. Please register with CSU Continuing Ed through their website <http://www.soe.cahs.colostate.edu/CE>

Karen Ellis and Mary Stecklein will be teaching this first face-to-face class. If you have questions, you may contact Mary at 720-373-0108 or reply to msteckle@comcast.net.

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2008-2009 VE-135/VE-130 Reporting Announcements

There are significant reporting changes for the 2008-2009 year that will affect how you are required to collect and submit the VE-135 enrollment and follow-up.

You are strongly encouraged to review the VE-135 and VE-130 collection and submission procedures for 2008-2009 in the PDF document listed under "Section VI - Data Reporting" of the CCCS Administrators' Handbook on the state plan website at http://www.coloradostateplan.com/admin_handbook.htm. We also recommend that you watch the CTE Trends e-newsletter for VE-135 announcements throughout the reporting year.

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. You must report the VE-135 data even if you do NOT receive state or federal funding for your approved CTE programs because the data is used in the program renewal process.

The VE-135 submission deadlines have changed for the 2008-2009 academic year and are as follows:

- Follow-up deadline- March 15, 2009
- Enrollment deadline-July 30, 2009

The VE-135 data will **NOT** be accepted after the deadline has passed unless your institution has been granted an official extension for extenuating circumstances from CCCS for either the enrollment or the follow-up.

Important changes to the **follow-up** for this year include:

- Follow-up surveys should not begin until December 15, 2008.
- Placement questions now are specific to student outcomes between the time period of October 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008 only.
- Follow-up questions have changed for this year. Questions for secondary and postsecondary are now the same. Placement criteria have been redefined and there are now new questions pertaining to apprenticeships and technical skills assessments.

Important changes to the **enrollment** for this year include:

- There are both new and redefined secondary and postsecondary fields in the enrollment for 2008-2009 that are critical to defining CTE student populations.
- Definitions regarding enrollment and completion have changed. You will also be reporting concentration status for all students.

The VE-130 Active teacher data is still required from all institutions with active CTE programs. CCCS program directors' strongly encourage all institutions to report this data completely so that important CTE correspondence reaches all instructors.

The VE-135/VE-130 data collection site at <https://ve135.cccs.edu/voced/> will be undergoing extensive redesign this year in order to meet the changing reporting requirements for 08-09. We anticipate opening the new website in early October 2008 for data entry, though there could be delays due to rollover processing of the previous year full data set. Sections of the website will go live as they are developed. One exciting change that you can expect is an improved process for constructing and submitting enrollment and follow-up data files.

Contact Julie Eddy, CTE Accountability Director by email at julie.eddy@cccs.edu or by phone at 303-595-1527 with any CTE data reporting questions or comments.

Thank you for your continued cooperation as we work toward documenting our successes in career and technical education in Colorado.

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Valuable CTE Websites

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

CTE Directors Directory:

http://www.coloradostateplan.com/resources/CTE_Director_Directory.pdf

ACTE: www.acteonline.org

CACTE: www.cacte.org

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

Colorado DECA: www.deca.cccs.edu

Colorado Technology Education Association: www.cteaonline.org

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

CTE Calendar: <http://www.calendarwiz.com/contact>: [Julie Eddy](#), 303-595-1527

CTE Forms and Reports from CCCS:

<http://www.coloradostateplan.com/formsReports.htm>

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

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

FCCLA: <http://www.fccla.cccs.edu>

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

SkillsUSA: www.skillsusa.cccs.edu

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

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

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