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## Special Topics

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### **A warm WELCOME to new staff at CCCS**

Please welcome our new CTA Manager, Casey Sacks, Ph.D. and Victoria Crownover, Monitoring Officer. She can be reached at 720-858-2841 or [casey.sacks@cccs.edu](mailto:casey.sacks@cccs.edu).

Victoria came to CCCS on a 6<sup>th</sup> month contract last year to help out with the backlog of OCR monitoring visits and was hired full-time as of December as Monitoring Officer. She can be reached at 720-858-2775 or [victoria.crownover@cccs.edu](mailto:victoria.crownover@cccs.edu).

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### **CTE Day at the Capitol will be February 19th!**

*RSVP required.*

Please join your CACTE colleagues for Colorado CTE Day at the Capitol. On this day, the Colorado State Legislature will introduce a resolution celebrating February as CTE Month. Everyone will meet in the basement cafeteria of the Capitol promptly at 8:45 a.m. and then walk to the Senate floor (or the gallery, 3rd floor) to hear the resolution introduction sometime during the morning. Senator Rollie Heath will introduce the resolution.

At 1:30 p.m., the House and Senate Education Committees are meeting. This may be an interesting time to observe these committees at work.

If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to Dr. Dan R. Lucero, Executive Director of Colorado ACTE at [coloradoacte@juno.com](mailto:coloradoacte@juno.com) by Monday, February 16.

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### **2009 Regional Monitoring Workshops**

The Colorado Community College System (CCCS) will host Regional CTE Monitoring Workshops this spring at Trinidad State Junior College, Morgan Community College and the Community College of Aurora. The purpose of the workshops is to provide an opportunity for secondary and post-secondary CTE administrators, school administrators and school fiscal and procurement management staff to learn about the monitoring process, procedures, guidelines and expectations for federal compliance with the Carl D. Perkins Act and Title VI, IX and Section 504 (MOA) – Civil Rights.

Preliminary agendas for the workshops can be found at <http://www.coloradostateplan.com/index.htm>. **If you'd like to attend, please register online at <http://www.rsvpbook.com/event.php?492796>.** Registration is free of charge, but space is limited so register early!

**Workshop Schedule: (10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.)**

<b>Trinidad</b> , Trinidad State Junior College	Friday, March 20, 2009
<b>Fort Morgan</b> , Morgan Community College	Friday, April 17, 2009
<b>Aurora</b> , Community College of Aurora	Friday, May 15, 2009

Questions can be referred to the CTE Monitoring Manager at 720-858-2736, [christopher.lee@cccs.edu](mailto:christopher.lee@cccs.edu) or Pat Sagrillo at 303-595-1568, [pat.sagrillo@cccs.edu](mailto:pat.sagrillo@cccs.edu).  
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**\*\*CAP4K 12-Stop Teacher Tour\*\***

The Colorado Department of Education in collaboration with the Colorado Education Association (CEA) will hold a 12-stop tour across the state to identify teacher understanding of Senate Bill 08-212, also known as the Colorado Achievement Plan for Kids (CAP4K). The tour stops will allow for discussion about the law's relevance to practice, its impact on teaching and learning and the kind of help that teachers would find useful for classroom implementation.

The meetings will be led by CAP4K Project Manager, Samantha Long, CDE Deputy Commissioner, Ken Turner and CEA Director of Teaching and Learning, Linda Barker. Feedback from the tour will help CDE organize professional development and other support for teachers related to CAP4K.

Additional Tours will be held on the following dates:

**Wednesday, February 11**

**Location:** Adams State College

Community Partnerships Building (*corner of Main St. and Edgemont St. in Alamosa*)

Alamosa, CO 81102

Parking in front of building

To RSVP [click here](#) or call 719.587.8227

**Time:** 11:30 am - 1:30 pm -- Brown Bag

**Thursday, February 12**

**Location:** Lory Student Center

East Ballroom, 1101 Center Avenue

Fort Collins, CO

To RSVP, call 303-866-2723 and leave a voice mail or [CAP4K@dhe.state.co.us](mailto:CAP4K@dhe.state.co.us)

**Tuesday, February 17**

**Location:** Ridgway Public Library

300 Charles Street

Ridgway, CO 81432-0560

**Time:** 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

[map](#)

S.B. 08-212 requires that the Colorado State Board of Education and the Colorado Commission on Higher Education adopt a description of "postsecondary and workforce readiness" by December 15, 2009.

S.B. 08-212 seeks to establish a seamless pathway from preschool into college or the workplace. Essential to that pathway is an understanding of what it means to be ready for education or the workforce after high school and a plan to ensure that students take the necessary courses and master the content to do so.

These descriptions of school readiness and postsecondary and workforce readiness will guide the final selection of new statewide model content standards, which are being revised for the first time since they were adopted 13 years ago.

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### **Free Facilitating Available**

Are you starting to think about what to do with next year's Perkins funds? Not sure where to start the planning? Looking for a fair way to address everyone's needs? Want to get the planning done early? Need help?

Our online Administrators' Handbook may be a place to start! Go to [http://www.coloradostateplan.com/admin\\_handbook.htm](http://www.coloradostateplan.com/admin_handbook.htm) and click open the PDF for Section V, Part C, Perkins. Click on the binoculars icon and where it asks what word or phrase would you like to search for, type "strategic planning." Then click the SEARCH button.

The first page that has that phrase on it will appear on the right side of your screen. Also, in the Search area, below the Results, there will be options to select other pages that include that phrase. Hold your mouse over each of those options until you see the one that says "Page 16," then click on that choice. The next six pages that appear on the right side of your screen provide a guide, resources, and formats that can be used for strategically planning the use of your Perkins funds.

If you would like Lorrie Toni, Perkins Director, to come to your site to help facilitate this process, please feel free to contact her to schedule a date. Lorrie will try to keep most Fridays open for this purpose but other days may also be available. Lorrie can be reached at 303-595-1565 or [lorrie.toni@cccs.edu](mailto:lorrie.toni@cccs.edu).

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### **Colorado Symposium on Emergency Care**

**DATE:** May 26<sup>th</sup> – May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009

**PLACE:** Telluride Conference Center, Mountain Village, Telluride, CO

**Instructors:** Dennis Edgerly, 12lead; Dr. Peterson, Anatomy of the Human Body; Leo Lloyd, Technical Rope Rescue; plus, Twink Dalton, Gary Wiemokly, Dr. Keith Wesley and more!

**For more Information:** Lisa Valdez, 970-529-7126, [lvaldez@sjbtc.edu](mailto:lvaldez@sjbtc.edu) or visit the website: <http://www.sjbrtc.edu> and click on "conferences" under "Other Links" in the column to the right.

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### **CTE in the NEWS**

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01.28.09. Governor Bill Ritter presented Red Rocks Community College with a Governor's Excellence in Renewable Energy Award last Wednesday. Behind the governor, left to right - Chuck Beck, RRCC program coordinator; Larry Snyder, RRCC faculty; Michele Haney, RRCC president; and Nancy McCallin, Colorado Community College System president. [Click here](#) for the complete story on YourHub.

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### **Expansion of CCCOnline**

Colorado Community College Online has expanded to a 24/7 online Paralegal Degree and Certificate program. CCCOnline's program offers the same level of courses as those taught at most paralegal schools except the student can now do the whole program online.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) reports that employment of paralegals is growing much faster than the average, as employers try to reduce costs by hiring paralegals instead of lawyers. The BLS predicts that the profession will grow 22% between 2006-2016.

Most paralegals entering the field have an associate's degree in paralegal studies or a bachelor's degree coupled with a certificate in paralegal studies. The CCCOnline Paralegal associates degree is only 30 credits; the certificate is 21 credits. Students can register online at <http://www.cconline.org/courses/programs/Paralegal>

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### **Special Populations Program of the Year Winner**

The Valley High School ACE program in Gilcrest, CO was nominated and selected to receive the Piney Mountain Press Award for Special Populations Program of the Year. Debra Hodson accepted the award at the 2008 National ACTE Convention in Charlotte NC in December.

The Valley High School ACE program focuses on job readiness skills via a student run business. The students have spent the last three years running the Valley Perk, a very successful coffee shop at the high school, gaining valuable job skills by the hands on experience. The job training available to students at the Valley Perk includes management, customer service, inventory specialist, marketing and baristas.

Due to the success of the coffee shop, the students have also learned the benefit of philanthropy. All of the upper level ACE students are unified partners with the Valley HS Special Olympics Team. This stellar civics program has created a wonderful and meaningful relationship between at-risk students and those students with severe disabilities. A round of applause for Deb Hodson and her ACE students.

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### **CTSO Related**

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#### **CTSO involvement reaps many benefits**

Liberty School has two finalists for the prestigious Wendy's High School Heisman Award. To be eligible for this award, students must display academic aptitude, athletic talent and *community leadership*.

Tyson Mann is actively involved in extra-curricular clubs including FFA, FCCLA, FBLA, 4-H, and Knowledge Bowl, and also participates in Football, Basketball, and Track and Field. Tyson serves as the current FFA President and has received All-Conference Honors in football twice throughout his high school career. Tyson plans to continue his education in the engineering field.

Jordan Jackson is currently serving as the Colorado FBLA State President where she is actively involved in a number of community service projects. She is also an active member and officer in FFA, FCCLA, Student Council, drama, and high school choir. Jordan plans to study journalism and communications this coming fall in the hope of becoming a news anchor.

The Wendy's High School Heisman program, awarded in conjunction with the collegiate Heisman, celebrates the achievements of the nation's top high school seniors both in and out of the classroom. Just as the collegiate Heisman is known for being the top award in college football, the WHSH award is known for being the most prestigious award at the high school level. The award encourages future leadership by recognizing well-balanced lifestyles at an early age.

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### **JUDGES NEEDED for upcoming State Conferences**

#### **2009 DECA State Leadership Conference**

Over the past years you have given of your time to make our CTSO's successful. Once again this year we are asking you for the gift of time. Colorado DECA will be holding its annual State Leadership Conference at the Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs on February 22-24, 2009. We are in need of judges on February 23 from 7:00 am to approximately 3:30 pm in the afternoon. Colorado DECA will cover your parking and provide you with a wonderful Broadmoor continental breakfast and lunch. To join us, we ask you to register at our new website [www.decajudge.org](http://www.decajudge.org) If you have judged for DECA in the past, you will still need to register. The judges registration website has changed. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact [Everett Vaughan](mailto:Everett.Vaughan@deca.org), 303-595-1576. Thank you in advance.

#### **2009 FCCLA State Leadership Conference and Food Events Competition**

Want a positive shot in the arm? Be our hero and be a competitive event judge on April 3, 2009. FCCLA State Conference competitive events will be held at the Denver Tech Marriott and the Food Events Competition is hosted at Johnson & Wales, both on Friday, April 3, 2009. Students from chapters across Colorado will compete in 30 different events, ranging from Job Interview and Career Investigation to Culinary Arts and Interior Design. To take a look at the list of events and to sign up, go to the Colorado Family, Career and Community Leaders of America website:

[http://www.fccla.ccs.edu/08-09\\_documents/Jan30judges\\_form\\_only.doc](http://www.fccla.ccs.edu/08-09_documents/Jan30judges_form_only.doc)

#### **2009 SkillsUSA State Leadership Conference**

Judges are needed to select the best SkillsUSA students to represent Colorado at the National SkillsUSA Leadership competitions in Kansas City in June. If you would like to volunteer as a judge for the Colorado Skills USA Leadership Competition on April 16, 2009 at the Warren Tech Campus in Lakewood, Colorado, please contact Bob Jager at 719-634-1805 or [drj736@msn.com](mailto:drj736@msn.com).

Judges are needed for the following competitive leadership events:

Chapter Display	Community Service
CPR/First Aid	Customer Service
Extemp. Speaking	Job Interview
Job Skills Demo A	Job Skills Demo B
Opening/Closing	Prepared Speech

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### **Colorado FCCLA State Leadership Conference and Food Events Competition**

You are invited to join Colorado FCCLA members, advisers, and guests at State Conference where *"Heroes Happen"* Thursday, April 2, through Saturday, April 4, 2009, at the Denver Marriott Tech Center. Occupational students will perform *Heroic fetes* at their Food Events Competition in the Culinary Arts Building on the Johnson & Wales University campus, Friday, April 3, 2009.

Websites for getting advisers, students, and guests registered are:

State Leadership Conference [www.registermychapter.com/fccla/co](http://www.registermychapter.com/fccla/co)

Food Events Competition [www.registermychapter.com/fccla/co-foods](http://www.registermychapter.com/fccla/co-foods)

Note the following deadlines:

**On-time Electronic Registrations** must be completed and submitted by **10 p.m. February 20, 2009**. **Late Registrations** – those submitted after 10 p.m. February 20 and up until 10 p.m. February 27 must pay a \$20 per person late fee. No registrations will be accepted after 10 p.m. February 27. Payment must be postmarked no later than Friday, March 6, 2009.

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### **UPDATES: Credentialing, CTA, and VE-135**

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#### **CTA (formally known as CVA)**

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

If your district received an invoice for a fiscal year 2005 audit adjustment, please submit payment to CCCS.

There has been some confusion about the close out of 2008 Colorado Vocational Act (CVA) activity (this program is currently referred to as the Career and Technical Act (CTA) grant). Most of these questions surrounded the invoicing of a number of 2008 CVA recipients for overpayments made to those recipients during the 2008 funding period. Due to a number of factors that impact the final closeout of FY08 CVA funds, CCCS will be recalculating the final closeout. After February 16, 2009 the 2008 CVA numbers will be re-run and new invoices will be mailed to recipients. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact us.

The close out for 2009 will be due September 1, 2009. Training dates will be posted online at <http://www.coloradostateplan.com/CVAschedule.htm> once locations are determined. Please refer to the Administrators Handbook [CTA portion](#) or contact us if you have any questions about upcoming CTA reporting.

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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](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 Career Technical Act (CTA) 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/login.aspx> will be undergoing extensive redesign this year in order to meet the changing reporting requirements for 08-09. Sections of the website will be launched in phases as they are developed. Phase I and II have been launched and when you go to the website you will be able to update your VE-130 Active Teachers, retrieve your VE-135 Follow-up completer lists, and submit your follow-up survey data either by data file upload or by single student entry.

Contact Julie Eddy, CTE Accountability Director by email at [julie.eddy@cccs.edu](mailto: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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## To Better Serve You

Beginning with issue #704, CTE Trends is now available online as a web page. The direct address to the archive is: <http://www.coloradostateplan.com/CTEarchive.htm>

## CTE Leadership

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### Valuable CTE Websites

CCCS CTE Perkins new State Plan: [www.coloradostateplan.com/](http://www.coloradostateplan.com/)

CTE Directors Directory:

[http://www.coloradostateplan.com/resources/CTE\\_Director\\_Directory.pdf](http://www.coloradostateplan.com/resources/CTE_Director_Directory.pdf)

ACTE: [www.acteonline.org](http://www.acteonline.org)

CACTE: [www.cacte.org](http://www.cacte.org)

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

Colorado DECA: [www.deca.cccs.edu/](http://www.deca.cccs.edu/)

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)

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/>

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

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

SkillsUSA: <http://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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