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The mission of the CCCS CTE Perkins Field Council is to “facilitate the *strategic* use of Colorado Perkins distribution funds to enable student success in and through career and technical education.”

Volunteer members of this Council address that mission through four major activities:

1. Annual review of CCCS approved Perkins federal grant local plans to find best/promising practices; visitations of the institutions selected; and written reports about the site visits.
2. Read and prepare summaries of national articles and/or research reports that may be useful to career and technical education stakeholders.
3. Annual review of the Perkins career and technical education performance metrics data for Colorado to identify positive and negative trends and gaps in performance.
4. Suggest future improvement strategies for increased quality in career and technical education based on accumulative information gained from items 1 through 3.

This report is the result of Activity 1 being applied to local uses of Perkins federal funds for the fiscal year 2010-2011. It is our hope that this report celebrates and honors the good work of the selected Perkins recipients; informs the public about innovations in education; and serves as a guide for others who wish to enhance their career and technical education programs.

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Selection Process

From the review of CCCS approved Perkins local plans, the Perkins Field Council selected eight Colorado Perkins recipients that demonstrated best and/or promising practices. (No Council member was allowed to review any plan that they may have helped prepare.) The Council members voluntarily visited six of the eight selected sites prior to the printing of this document. This report summarizes the site visits for the other six selected recipients. However, we wish to acknowledge all selected recipients for standing out as best and/or promising uses of their Perkins grants as demonstrated by their fiscal year 2010-2011 Perkins local plans.

The two recipients selected as best/promising uses of Perkins funds for Fiscal Year 2010-2011 that were not visited this year are:

***Cherry Creek Schools;
High Country Consortium (formerly Mountain BOCES Consortium) and
Colorado Mountain College, fiscal agent. (Second consecutive year being selected –
site visit conducted in 2010)**

*Special commendations to this district for having been selected three consecutive years!

Congratulations to each of the districts and colleges on your demonstration of excellence; thank you for your hard work and our compliments for your continued commitment to student success. We wish you more triumphs and accomplishments!

Finally, we wish to extend many thanks to the personnel and students at the visited sites for hosting the Perkins Field Council visiting teams. While we strive not to be interruptive, we know local staff made extensive efforts to welcome the visiting team, so we especially appreciate the kind and open hospitality that was extended. Thank you for sharing.