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To: Quad City CTE Consortium Superintendents

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From: Larry Shimmin

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School District 227

Subject: Career and Technical Education (CTE) Information

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**UT Area Career Center** 

Black Hawk College School District 503 Enclosed with this memo, please find a regional brochure for the Quad City CTE Consortium (QCC TEC). This brochure is for your information and is printed annually as one quality indicator for the administration of the Education For Employment (EFE) region. If you require additional copies for use with your Board of Education, District, or community, please feel free to contact me.

Also included are seven copies of the Career and Technical Education (CTE) in Illinois 2008 fact sheet for distribution to your Board of Education. This fact sheet is used by CTE professional associations, especially the System Directors Leadership Council and the Area Vocational Center (AVC) Directors, to lobby for continued financial support by the Legislature and the Governor's office.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Cc: Joe Vermeire

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#### Structure

The Quad City Career and Technical Education (CTE) Consortium (QCC TEC) is formed by a joint agreement by seventeen member school districts with high schools located in Rock Island, Henry, Mercer and Stark Counties in Illinois.

Formed in 2007, by the merger of the Quad-City VoTech Region, EFE 210, and Tri-County VoTech Region, EFE 180, the Quad City CTE Consortium is governed by a Board of Control. This Board of Control is comprised of the Superintendent from each of the member school districts. Under the authority of the Board of Control, United Township High School District #30 acts as the administrative, legal, and fiscal agent for the Quad City CTE Consortium.

The programs and activities of the Quad City CTE Consortium are under the direction of the System Director, who is employed by the administrative agent. The System Director reports to the Board of Control and the administrative agent's Board of Education.

For more information, contact: Larry Shimmin, System Director (309)752-1691

# Career and Technical Education (CTE)

The days of Vocational Education, "home economics, shop, and typing", are gone forever. In its place is Career and Technical Education, a highly disciplined educational curriculum designed to prepare the students of today for the workforce of tomorrow.

Under the old "Voc. Ed." model, students were ready for their lifelong career after graduating from high school. In the highly technological society of the twenty-first century, high school is just the beginning of career preparation for our children.

Providing that technical education for our children is a necessary part of a comprehensive education that will prepare them for a workplace where 60% of the jobs require advanced technical skills, and a full 80% require post-high school education and training.

# Quad City Career and Technical Education Consortium

2008-2009 School Year

Serving School Districts in Rock Island, Henry, Mercer and Stark Counties in Illinois

EFE Region #185

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Carbon Cliff-Barstow District 36

Colona District 190

East Moline District 37

Hampton District 29

Silvis District 34

Enrollment K-8 - 23,253 (FY07) 9-12 - 10,219 (FY09)

# Funding FY 2009

#### **State**

Incentive Funding Grant for Agricultural Education \$47,892.00

Career and Technical Education (CTE) Improvement Grant \$860,035.00

#### **Federal**

Perkins III Grant \$415,214.00

Partnership for College and Career Success (Federal Tech Prep) \$93,914.00

The Quad City CTE Consortium, EFE #185, insures equal educational opportunities to students regardless of race, color, national origin, age, gender, religion, or disability. Questions in reference to educational opportunities may be directed to Larry Shimmin, System Director, 1275 Avenue of the Cities, East Moline, IL 61244, (309)752-1691.

El Quad City CTE Consortium, EFE #185, asegura oportunidades educativas parejas a los estudiantes sin importer la raza, color, origen nacional, edad, género, religión o incapacidad. Alguna pregunta al respeto de las oportunidades educativas podrán dirigirse al director a Larry Shimmin, el director de sistemas, 1275 Avenue of the Cities, East Moline, IL 61244, (309)752-1691.

#### Services

- Career Resource Library
- Career Information Systems/ Assessment
- Resource Staff
- · Transition School-to-Work Brochures
- · Student Career Planning Folders
- · Parent Guide for Career Development
- Pocket Resumés
- · Special Instructional Materials
- · Parent Brochure
- Study Guides (Teacher and Student Copies)
- Developmental Education Curriculum for Grades Pre-K-12
- · Nontraditional Support Services
- · WIN Work Keys Instruction Solution
- Regional Newsletter
- · Community Agency Fair
- · Career Development Calendars
- · Crisis Management Guides
- Special Populations Coordinator
- Eighth Grade Construction Industry Career Expo

Visit our website: http://uths.revealed.net Look for link to QCC TEC



## Recent Data Shows Career and Technical Education (CTE) Improves Student Performance

#### Increases Graduation Rates

15% increase for students taking 1 course

20% increase for students taking 2 courses in the same program

28% increase for students taking 3 courses in the same program!

#### Increases Overall Grade Point Average

0.12 higher GPA for students taking 1 course

0.20 higher GPA for students taking 2 courses in the same program

0.30 higher GPA for students taking 3 courses in the same program!

#### **Reduces Drop-Out Rate**

81% of students who dropped out said that "more real world learning" may have influenced them to stay in school, according to a Gates Foundation report.<sup>2</sup>

#### Increases Earnings

CTE graduates are 10-15% more likely to be in the labor force, and earn 8-9% more than graduates of academic programs, according to a 2001 Russell Sage Foundation study.<sup>3</sup>

# Supports Economic and Workforce Development in Illinois

18 of the 20 fastest growing occupations within the next decade will require career and technical education, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

#### Footnotes:

1. Wine-Banks, Jill. (November 29, 2004). Memo to Chicago Public School Board Members: Research Proves ETC Improves CPS Academic Outcomes. Office of Education-to-Careers for Chicago Public Schools.

2. Bridgeland, J., et al. The Silent Epidemic. Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, 2005. http://www.gatesfoundation.org/nr/downloads/ed/TheSilentEpidemic3-06FINAL.pdf

3. Rosenbaum, J. E. Beyond College for All. New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 2001. (as cited in Stone, J. Career and Technical Education and Student Engagement, Achievement, Transition, and Labor Market Outcomes DRAFT)

# Top 3 Enrollments by Occupational Programs

#### **Agricultural Education**

- Agriculture Business & Management
- Horticulture Services
   Operations & Management
- Agriculture Mechanics & Technology

## Business, Marketing and Computer Education

- Information Processing
- Product Marketing Operations
- Accounting/Bookkeeping

#### Family and Consumer Sciences

- Family and Career Studies
- Food Service, Hospitality & Management Services
- Child, Day Care & Education Services

#### Health Science Technology

- Nursing Cluster
- Medical Assistant
- Health Occupations

#### Technology & Engineering Education (Industrial)

- Auto/Automotive Mechanic/ Technician
- Construction Occupations
- Drafting

Provide Career and Technical Education Opportunities for *All* Students in Illinois!



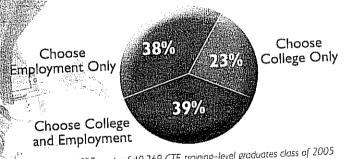
# Career & Technical Education (CTE) in Illinois 2008

A Vital Resource for Students and Workforce Development!

66 CTE programs engage students in rigorous, complex, problem-based learning experiences, which include comprehensive career awareness, academic, technical and employability skills. 9 9

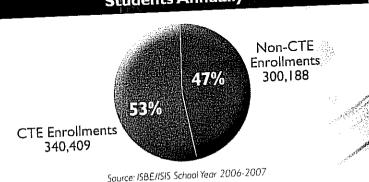
## CTE Students Demonstrate the Skills Needed for College and Employment/Careers

62% were enrolled in college 77% were employed



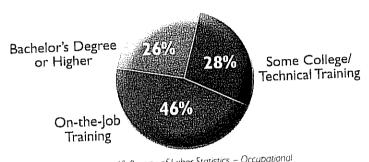
Source: ISBE study of 40,269 CTE training-level graduates class of 2005

## CTE Serves the Majority of High School Students Annually



# 21st Century Jobs Require Lifelong Learning

Educational Requirements for Jobs in 2014



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics – Occupational Projection and Training Data 2006-2007

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Hi Natalie!

I hope this message finds you doing well. Could you please pass this message on to the school board members? I really appreciate it.

Thanks so much!

Jill

#### Mr. Puentes, Geneseo School Board members and Mr. Kuffel,

Thank you very much for affording me the opportunity to attend the Breaking Ranks in Middle Schools conference this past weekend in Washington D.C. I found the conference and information presented to be very valuable and worthwhile as we work to propel Geneseo Middle School into being the leading middle school model in the area. It was an honor to represent our school and district and I look forward to working with Mr. DeBaene, Mr. Ryerson and the rest of the staff in increasing student achievement using the middle school model.

Best Regards,

Jill

Jill M. Schauland Geneseo Middle School Grade 6 http://gcsdblogs.org/Schauland/

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