

Career, Technical and Agricultural Education State Newsletter



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*From the Desk of
David Turner*

Special points of interest:

- Spring 2012 CTAE Administrator Regional Workshops
- Summer 2012 GACTE Conference
- June 2012 Regional Counselor Workshops
- Agricultural Education Newsletter Link
- Dual Enrollment / Dual Credit General Information
Deadline: April 1st
- Extended Day Program of Work Application Process

Greetings CTAE Family!

It is hard to believe that we are fast approaching the end of another school year. I am amazed how fast time passes by as I grow older. I often think back to my middle and high school years when I would wish that summer would hurry up and arrive. Now, I reluctantly prepare to welcome another summer season.

As we bring this school year closer to an end, our attention turns to preparing for the next school year. Over the next few weeks the CTAE staff will be conducting the CTAE Administrator Spring Update meetings. These meetings are a valuable tool for our administrators as preparations are made for next year. I encourage you to attend one of the six meetings that are scheduled across our state. Update presentations from each of our five program areas are scheduled, in addition to technical assistance opportunities for you.

Here is a brief update on the status of the Career Clusters and House Bill 186. Our team has been conducting planning meetings for each of the 17 clusters. The meetings have been attended by representatives from business and industry, as well as our fellow educators. A new series of advisory meetings with additional business and industry partners is planned in the near future. Our goal is to have a solid plan for the new career clusters and pathways. As soon as we complete this work, we will share the plan for development and implementation with you. At this point, the 2013-2014 implementation of the new clusters and pathways will be based on the passage and language of House Bill 713.

We intend to include state-wide business and industry representation on each of our 17 cluster committees. Therefore, if you have a business and industry partner in your community that you think should serve on one of our cluster committees, please send us that contact information.

I sincerely appreciate the work you do each day for the students in our CTAE programs. The CTAE State team is always ready and willing to assist you, so please do not hesitate to contact us.

David



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Agricultural Education Update

To view the Agricultural Education Newsletter, please copy and paste the link below into your address bar:

<http://archives.doe.k12.ga.us/DMGetDocument.aspx/Ag-newsletter-March2012.pdf?p=6CC6799F8C1371F639FABA8B95E2BF533201630AB140160B678A82D6161D26F7&Type=D>

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Accountability and Improvement Update

FY2010 Core Indicators Report

Local systems FY2009-2010 Performance Indicators are now available on the <http://www.gadoe.org> website. Thanks to all local systems for helping the State to reach its performance goals for FY10. We are looking forward toward continued State and local system performance improvement throughout the remaining years of Perkins IV.

Spring Regional CTAE Administrator Update Meetings

The Spring Regional CTAE Administrator Updates will be held this month. Registration for the workshops ended on March 9, so for those of you who registered we look forward to seeing you there.

<u>March 20, 2012</u> – Dalton - Holiday Inn 870 College Drive Dalton, GA 30720	<u>March 21, 2012</u> – Athens - Classic Center 300 North Thomas Street Athens, GA 30601
<u>March 22, 2012</u> – Macon - Centreplex, Room 306 200 Coliseum Drive Macon, GA 31217	<u>March 27, 2012</u> – Dublin - Dubose Center 560 Pinehill Road Dublin, GA 31021
<u>March 28, 2012</u> – Brunswick Golden Isles Career Academy 4404 Glynco Parkway Brunswick, GA 31525	<u>March 29, 2012</u> – UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center 15 RDC Road Tifton, GA 31793

FY13 Local Plan and Grant Application Technical Assistance Workshops

The Spring Technical Assistance workshop will provide a "hands-on" opportunity for CTAE Administrators to begin completing the CTAE Federal and State grant application process on the DOE Consolidated Application. Each registered participant will have access to a computer workstation and be able to log onto his/her system's Consolidated Application. CTAE Administrators who do not have login access and editing

rights to the CTAE Applications in the Con App are encouraged to bring someone to the workshop that has access. State CTAE personnel will be present at all workshops to answer questions and assist with the grant applications.

FY13 Local Plan and Grant Application Technical Assistance Workshops

<p>April 16, 2012 <u>Central Region</u> Houston Co. Board of Education, Perry, GA</p>	<p>April 17, 2012 <u>North Region</u> - Floyd County College & Career Academy, Rome, GA <u>Central Region</u> - Lincoln County High School, Lincolnton, GA <u>South Region</u> - Isabella Complex, Albany, GA</p>
<p>April 18, 2012 <u>South Region</u> Thomas County High School, Thomasville, GA</p>	<p>April 19, 2012 <u>North Region</u> - White County High School, Cleveland, GA <u>Central Region</u> - Jasper County High School, Monticello, GA <u>South Region</u> - Golden Isle Career Academy, Brunswick, GA</p>
<p>April 24, 2012 <u>North Region</u> - Douglas County College & Career Institute, Douglasville, GA <u>Central Region</u> - Upson-Lee High School, Thomaston, GA <u>South Region</u> - Effingham Career Academy, Rincon, GA</p>	<p>April 25, 2012 <u>South Region</u> - Ware County High School, Waycross, GA April 26, 2012 <u>North Region</u> – Gwinnett Co. BOE, Suwanee, GA <u>Central Region</u> – Washington Co. BOE, Sandersville, GA</p>

FY 13 Extended Day Program of Work Application Process

On **March 15, 2012** at 8:00AM the 2012-2013 Extended Day/Program of Work Application was posted for completion and submission within the CTAE Resource Network Extended Day/POW menu.

NOTE: Before starting the Extended Day Program of Work Application process, please be prepared to assist the CTAE teachers in determining the answer to the following questions:

1. Does my CTAE System/School Contact want me to submit a 2012-2013 POW Application? If not, don't complete the process.
2. Am I transferring from this school to another school between now and the beginning of next year? If the answer is yes, do not complete a POW application where you currently are, it will not transfer.

Major Dates to Remember

- March 15 FY12 Annual Report opens for teachers currently with a POW

(All Annual Reports must be completed before a teacher can be given access to either the FY13 POW or the FY12 Improvement Plan)
- March 15 FY12 POW Improvement Plan opens for all teachers not satisfactorily completing all areas of the FY12POW. (The Improvement Plan must be submitted and approved before the teacher will be given access to the FY13 POW)
- March 15 FY13 POW opens for all New teachers and teachers who have completed a FY12 POW Annual Report that has been approved or teachers that have completed an FY12 POW Improvement Plan and it has been approved
- ???
- Very Important Date: Ask Your CTAE System/School Contact for this date. You must be finished in plenty of time for them to finalize budget decisions by May 15, 2012**
- Deadline for completion of the following:
- All FY12 POW Annual Report Submission - Approval
 - All FY12 POW Improvement Plan Submission – Approval
 - All FY13 POW Applications including Vacancies Submission – Approval
- May 15 CTAE System/School Contact Extended Day Program of Work (POW) Deadline

Deadline for CTAE System/School approval of all FY13 POWs
(Extended Day budgets must be totaled/submitted on the Consolidated Application)
- June 29 Last day to complete all 2011-2012 POW Monthly Reports (Be sure to save a copy to your computer)
- July 1 FY13 POW Application will open to accommodate the filling of pre-established teacher vacancies, or to accommodate the changes in teacher placement.

QUESTIONS regarding the Extended Day Program of Work Application Process:

1. For questions on CTSO standards, contact the corresponding CTSO State Advisor/State Program Specialist
2. For questions about the CRE (Career-Related Education) standards, contact Dwayne Hobbs, dhobbs@doe.k12.ga.us
3. For questions on the on-line functionality, contact the CTAE Resource Network Help Desk at hotline@ctaern.org or Skip Brown at skipbrown@doe.k12.ga.us.



From the Desk of Emily Spann – Development and Transition
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Development and Transition Update

We look forward to seeing and visiting with many of you at the upcoming Spring CTAE Regional Workshops around the state. This March newsletter will provide important information for your fellow CTAE educators and school counselors. Please feel free to review the articles in this issue and forward the newsletter to any of your staff.

As always, please feel free to contact anyone of us at the GaDOE, as we welcome your input and suggestions regarding all of our CTAE programs.

Transition Career Partnership Update

Attached below are downloadable College Credit Now (Dual Credit/Enrollment) flyers that may be used by counselors, teachers, and administrators to provide information on Dual Credit Opportunities to students and parents.

Important Reminder: As a requirement of the House Bill 186 legislation, all students in grades 8 through 11 must receive general College Credit Now (Dual Credit/Enrollment) information by April 1, 2012.

1. General dual enrollment information must be distributed locally to all 8th -11th grade students by April 1.
2. The Annual Report for Transition Career Partnership is not required this year.
3. Verification Forms for Move On When Ready students are not required to be completed by counselors this year.
4. Local systems receive funding for all dual students, except for Move On When Ready.
5. Transition Career Partnership local plan activities will now include middle school activities, as a result of House Bill 186.



Junior Reserve Officer Training Corp (JROTC) Update

A. Junior Reserve Officer Training Corp (JROTC):

1. JROTC does earn vocational weight funding for FTE purposes.
2. JROTC does not require an End of Pathway Assessment.
3. Perkins funding cannot be used for JROTC. Local funding can be used to assist with travel, supplies, mileage, etc.
4. JROTC links for all military branches are located on GaDOE's JROTC web page. Link is <http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/CTAE/Pages/JROTC-.aspx>

For more information regarding the Transition Career Partnership program or JROTC, please contact Gary Mealer, at gmealer@doe.k12.ga.us.

Professional Learning Update

Make Plans for the 2012 GACTE: Education & Economic Development Summit!

65th Annual GACTE Summer Leadership Conference

July 15-18, 2012

Renaissance Waverly Hotel & Cobb Galleria Centre

Registration Opens - April 2, 2012

Hotel Room Blocks Open - 8 a.m. April 2, 2012

Conference Registration Fee--Members: \$290

Non-Members: \$450

Registration Deadline--June 22, 2012

All Payments Due--June 29, 2012

Contact Skip Brown, skip.brown@doe.k12.ga.us, or Matthew Gambill, if you have questions regarding the conference.



Atlanta Renaissance Waverly

End-of-Pathway Assessment Update

SkillsUSA - Skills Connect Upcoming Assessment Webinars in March

SkillsUSA is offering two Webinars for Instructors and Administrators on two topics during March 2012. The Webinar Schedule is listed below:

Note: Webinar offerings for Skill Connect Assessments will be posted on the Work Force Ready System Website at: <http://www.workforcereadysystem.org/webinars.shtml>

1. Instructor Tips for Student Success

Join Instructor Webinar to learn how you can better prepare your students for the **Skill Connect Assessment** process. Useful tips and tools will be shared with the participants. We value your time, so the webinar will only last 30 minutes which includes time for questions.

Wednesday, March 21st – 5:00 pm

Please join the following meeting.

URL: <http://web.ganconference.com/?meeting=8615804>

Telephone: 888-222-0475

Attendee code: 6837807

This Webinar will be recorded. Go to <http://www.workforcereadysystem.org/webinars.shtml> the following day to hear a replay.

2. Meeting Industry Demands - SkillsUSA's Work Force Ready System

Plan to join the Work Force Ready System Webinar to learn about the **Skill Connect Assessment** system. This unique assessment system was created by industry to validate student's entry-level knowledge and skills. Learn about the media-rich system that engages students in the assessment process to better validate their knowledge and skills. Plus the dynamic reporting system that teachers can use for program improvement and student success. Plan to join the 30 minute webinar to learn more about Skill Connect Assessments and how the up-to-date, affordable system can be incorporated into your programs.

Thursday, March 22nd – 3:30pm

Please join the following meeting.

URL: <http://web.ganconference.com/?meeting=1342629>

Telephone: 888-222-0475

Attendee code: 6837807

This Webinar will be recorded. Go to <http://www.workforcereadysystem.org/webinars.shtml> the following day to hear a replay.

For additional information regarding End-of-Pathway Assessment, please contact **Mamie Hanson** at mhanson@doe.k12.ga.us or by telephone at 404-657-6279.

Georgia STEM Festivals



Georgia STEM Institute

The Georgia Department of Education will host the annual Georgia STEM Institute this summer in Savannah on June 17th-22nd and in Atlanta on July 8th-13th, 2011. Participating schools would send a team of teachers consisting of a minimum of one CTAE, one science, and one math teacher for the five day immersion experience in STEM. Teachers attending the Institute will have the opportunity to exchange ideas, interact with members of different STEM industries and visit STEM sites. The purpose of the Institute is to have teachers use the Institute's experiences to develop classroom instruction that integrates fundamental knowledge of science and mathematics with real STEM applications.

The Institute is limited to 30 participants and applicants are accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Teachers must choose the Savannah or the Atlanta site but may not attend both. Teachers who attended last summer may not attend two years in a row.

**This program is geared toward middle and high school teachers but we will accept elementary teachers if space allows.*

Contact Gilda Lyon, glyon@doe.k12.ga.us, for an application or go to our new website at <http://stemgeorgia.org>

STEM Georgia Webpage

The new STEM Georgia website is available at <http://stemgeorgia.org>
The latest STEM grants, student scholarships, STEM competitions, workshops, webinars, freebies for teachers and STEM lesson plans are available on the site.

Follow STEM Georgia on Twitter

Immediate updates on grants, workshops, competitions, scholarships, and STEM resources.
<http://twitter.com/stemgeorgia>

Georgia Department of Education STEM Certified School or Program Designation

Schools in Georgia may apply for official GaDOE STEM School Designation via an application process where specific criteria indicative of STEM schools are met. Contact Gilda for an application and further information.

STEM School Best Practices Examples

What do fish, robots, math, and the environment have in common? Students at **Ridgeland High School** in Walker County, Georgia, are making those connections in an innovative interdisciplinary program developed by Josh Hurst, engineering teacher, Pete Davis, agriculture teacher, Sandy Weathers, advanced placement environmental science teacher, and mathematics teacher Mike Afdahl.

The school is making productive use of the Title II ARRA Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) grant it received from the Georgia Department of Education. The four teachers work together to plan projects that involve collecting data to conduct scientific research on the seven fish aquaponics tanks that are housed in the school's greenhouse.

The fish hatchery is the playground for serious science, engineering, and math as students in the engineering class are building a robot that measures and collects water quality parameters while AP environmental science and agriculture students determine investigative questions to pursue.



“It’s interesting that there’s so much to such a small organism. They actually require a lot of care,” says senior Victoria Capehart. She uses a calculator and an electronic probe to test the water quality in the giant plastic bins that house fish. With the calculators, students make tables and charts for data crunching that tie in concepts from math classes. Capehart said it’s critical that levels of chemicals and oxygen in the water are constantly monitored for the animals to survive. By tracking the weight of the fish, students recently discovered that the food they were using wasn’t formulated correctly. She said they were able to change the food to help get the group of underweight fish back on track. Capehart said such work is a nice change of pace from other courses that keep students tied to desks and textbooks. “This is hands-on, and we’re actually applying it to real life,” she said.

To read more about the program and watch a newscast report on the work at the school go to <http://bit.ly/zHL4GJ> OR <http://bit.ly/xoAqaE>

Save the Dates: 

Georgia Department of Education STEM Festival at the National Fair

When: Oct. 10th, 11th, 12th, 2012

Time: 10:00 am until 8:00 pm each day

Location: Perry, Georgia

If your school is interested in exhibiting to highlight your STEM program, contact Gilda Lyon at glyon@doe.k12.ga.us or 404.463.1977

Career Development / Student Advisement / NonTraditional Update

Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) New Career Guidance Award

This new national award has been announced for 2012, to recognize counselors and career development professionals who have made significant contributions to advocate, educate and communicate the value of career and technical education as a viable career option to a variety of audiences.

Region II will recognize a recipient this fall. Each Region II state is encouraged to implement this award and submit a candidate for this honor. The application may be found at

http://www.acteonline.org/award_guidance.aspx

Nontraditional Fields- National Girls Collaborative Project

The National Girls Collaborative Project (NGCP) - <http://www.ngcproject.org/> initiative will host a free informational meeting on the campus of the University of West Georgia in Carrollton, GA on April 2, 2012 beginning at 1 PM until 3 PM in the Campus Center Building, Ballroom 108 at 1601 Maple Street, Carrollton, GA 30118.

This initiative will provide mini-grants, professional development, and other free resources to project participants to help increase the participation of girls in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM Cluster). To register for this informational meeting, please click on the following link: <http://www.ngcproject.org/events/events.cfm?eventid=239> Also, please click on the following link to obtain a map of the UWG campus. http://www.westga.edu/index_map.php. Contact Vivian Snyder at vsnyder@doe.k12.ga.us.

GACollege411 Professional Center Section – Reporting of College Credit Now (Dual Enrollment)

Local school facilitators (counselors, advisors, instructors) should be aware that the GACollege411 Professional Center section of the website will allow schools to track their students' completion of the College Credit Now (Dual Enrollment) task contained in the BRIDGE checklist.

The report for "Next Steps" is not available presently, but will be available soon.

In the Professional Center schools should select "**Guideways Tracking Report**" under the "Reports" tab, then select the "**College Credit Now Guideway.**"

Below is an example of the GAcademy411 Professional Center College Credit Now (Dual Enrollment) Reports Section

If you have specific questions regarding the functionality of the Reports process, please consult the Professional Center manual located on GAcademy411 in the "Middle School & High School Educators" box at the bottom of the homepage or contact your school's GAcademy411 regional representative in the same box.

The screenshot displays the GAcademy411 Professional Center interface. At the top, the logo for GAcademy411 Professional Center is visible, along with the tagline "Expand Your Opportunities". A user is signed in as Jonathan Stroble from Albany High School, with a "SIGN OUT" button and a "My Account" link. A "Talk to Us" link is also present for training and support. The navigation menu includes "Students & Groups", "Reports", "Resources", "Communication", "Transcripts", and "Administration". The "Reports" section is highlighted, showing a sub-menu with "Report Builder", "Tracking Reports", and "Usage Reports". The "Report Builder" section allows users to choose students, reports, and filter results, with links for "Report Builder" and "Transcripts Report Builder". The "Tracking Reports" section includes "Tracking Milestones" (with a link to "Milestones Tracking Reports"), "Tracking Guideways" (with a link to "Guideways Tracking Report"), and "Tracking Plans of Study" (with a link to "Track Plans of Study"). The "Usage Reports" section allows users to review system usage from month to month, with links for "Sessions", "Page Views", "Accounts Created", and "Account Activity". A red arrow points to the "Guideways Tracking Report" link. At the bottom, there are links for "Privacy policy" and "Terms of use".

School Counseling Update

Upcoming Middle and High School Counselor Professional Learning Opportunities

When: June 5, June 6, or June 7, 2012

Where: Macon State College, Macon GA

The Georgia Department of Education will conduct three (3) one-day workshops in June 2012. A team, consisting of a counseling director (or designee) and middle and high school counselors from each of the local school systems may attend one of these workshops. The selection of the designated counselors will be made by the local system.

The workshops will provide essential information for counselors regarding implementation of the H.B. 400 (BRIDGE) Legislation, Individual Graduation Plans, the College and Career Ready Performance Index, the New Graduation Rule, Dual Credit Opportunities, and other critical information and updates. The workshop application procedure and agenda will be available at a later date.

Georgia's Apply To College Program (GAC)

The Georgia Apply to College Committee is excited to announce that the *Georgia Apply to College (GAC)* program will continue to grow in 2012, and **ALL** Georgia high schools are invited to apply to hold an event this **November!**

Georgia Apply to College, funded through the College Access Challenge Grant awarded by the U.S. Department of Education, helps Georgia high schools set aside a day during which their seniors can focus on applying to college while receiving hands-on assistance from college and community volunteers. Participating high schools are provided a number of materials and resources, including access to online activities, buttons, posters and banners, which can be utilized to get students excited about researching colleges and to help them prepare to complete a college admission application.

Training will be provided for both high school staff and volunteers, to help ensure everyone has a positive experience! All materials are provided at no cost to your school!

Be sure to check out the *Thinking of Holding an Event* section of the GAC website (www.usg.edu/apply-to-college) to find out what it takes to hold a successful event and to learn more about school responsibilities, as well as the materials and resources that are provided. ***The application deadline is Monday, April 16th so don't delay!***

Please feel free to contact the *Georgia Apply to College* Committee by emailing gacw@usg.edu or calling 404-656-2272 if you have any questions. We hope that your school will be a part of the 5th annual *Georgia Apply to College* program!

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The Georgia Apply to College (GAC) Committee

270 Washington Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30334
Phone: 404-656-2272
email: gacw@usg.edu
website: <http://www.usg.edu/apply-to-college>

Georgia Students have an Opportunity for the College Bound Summer Program!

The University of Georgia Fanning Institute College Bound Summer Program is a residential summer program that exposes high school students to the college experience and encourages the pursuit of higher education. The program is open to rising sophomores and juniors who are in foster care, wards of the state, or emancipated. A maximum of 25 students will be accepted into the program. Please see the attachments and share with your students.



College Bound Flyer
2012.pdf



College Bound
Application 2012.pdf

CTAE Additional Grant Opportunities

AT&T Aspire Grant for Career Exploration, Transition, Dropout Prevention

Every 26 seconds, another American high school student drops out — 1.2 million students each year. In fact, nearly one-third of all U.S. public high school students fail to graduate — and the rate jumps to nearly one-half for African American, Hispanic and Native American students. In addition to the personal challenges this creates, it also means too many future workers won't be prepared to compete in a rapidly changing, always-connected global marketplace. In years to come, that's a threat to continued U.S. leadership in the world economy.

AT&T has just released a Request For Proposal info for \$100 million worth of grants for resources and strategies that address the dropout epidemic with proven strategies including: High School Transition, Dropout Prevention, and Career Exploration. [Click here to access the AT&T Aspire Request for Proposal](#)

AT&T Grant Application Dates to Remember

March 1: Pre-qualification survey & RFP opened at www.att.com/education-news
April 18: Pre-qualification survey closes
April 27: RFP Closes
June 30: Commitment Letters to Funded Organizations



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Youth Apprenticeship Program (YAP) Annual Assessment and Work-Based Learning (WBL) Data Report

Youth Apprenticeship Program (YAP) Annual Assessment and Work-Based Learning (WBL) Data Report

Two reports related to Work-Based Learning are due on April 2, 2012.

1. Each system receiving a YAP grant must submit an annual assessment. Only one YAP Assessment is submitted per school system. For systems that have multiple high schools, the designated YAP Coordinator must collect and compile all the data into one report. This report must be mailed by the CTAE Director to lplan@doe.k12.ga.us on or before April 2, 2012
2. Each WBL coordinator who enrolls one or more students on the State Approved WBL course numbers for Employability Skill Development (ESD), Cooperative Education (Co-op), or Internship must complete a WBL Data Report. This report may be submitted directly by the coordinator by e-mailing to cwaugh@doe.k12.ga.us on or before April 2, 2012.

During March each CTAE Director was emailed a letter documenting which schools in their school system submitted a WBL Data Report for FY10 and also for FY11. The template for this document is a Word document and may be found on the GaDOE website. Two attachments have been included which show how to locate these documents on the website.

PLEASE NOTE: See attached documents in this newsletter.

WBL Video Contest

The affiliate of WBL/YAP Coordinators has designed a contest to create a promotional video for WBL programs. All schools with Broadcast Video Programs are encouraged to participate in this event. Students who produce the winning video will win \$500.00 and a trip to Columbus to work with video experts in the industry. The criteria for this event and all resources needed to participate have been sent out to all WBL/YAP coordinators. Please contact the coordinator in your school/system for the details or contact Dwayne Hobbs at dhobbs@doe.k12.ga.us.

WBL Summer Workshops

We are working to determine the types of WBL Workshops needed and to locate workshops geographically nearest the majority of projected participants. There is a need to provide the appropriate training for **new** WBL coordinators as well as **experienced** coordinators that need to attend an update training to comply with State Board Rule 160-4-3-.14 which states, "Each Work-Based Learning Coordinator supervising students enrolled in State approved work-based learning courses shall meet one of the following requirements:

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1. Hold a valid Work-Based Learning (WBL) endorsement (formerly DCT) issued by the Professional Standards Commission and have completed a State approved WBL training session within the past five years.
2. Hold a valid certificate in any Career, Technical and Agricultural Education field and have completed a State approved WBL training session within the past five years.
3. Serve as a coordinator for the Youth Apprenticeship Program (YAP) only and attend a State approved WBL training session within the past five years.

A survey was sent out from CTAERN to all CTAE Directors the first week in March to determine how many New Coordinators need training and how many Experienced Coordinators need the update training . The **WBL Bootcamp**, for new coordinators will last for 4 days for (3 PLU's) and the **WBL Update**, for experienced coordinators will last for 2 partial days for (1 PLU). All these workshops will be held the first three weeks of June. The sites will be chosen after the survey results are tabulated and will be located at selected sites around the state. The workshop postings for these workshops will be on the CTAERN website after April 1, 2012. If you have not already done so, please respond to the survey ASAP. If you are a CTAE Director and did not receive the e-mail from CTAERN with the survey link please contact Dwayne Hobbs, dhobbs@doe.k12.ga.us .

These workshops are only for coordinators certified in a CTAE field. Teachers **not** certified in a CTAE field who desire to be WBL coordinators must obtain a WBL Endorsement to be certified in field. The WBL endorsement is available from Northwest RESA who is a PSC approved provider. Any questions regarding the endorsement should be directed to Karen Faircloth at NWRESA.

Healthcare, Law and Public Safety and Cosmetology

Differentiated Learning Workshop

Dr. Gilda Lyon will conduct workshops entitled “Engaging Students through Differentiated Learning” on the dates and locations listed below:

- March 23 – Northwest GA RESA
- April 12 – Madison County HS (will be posted soon)

Registration for the workshops is available on www.ctaern.org.

Healthcare Magazine

The new Healthcare Magazine “Your Future in Healthcare” is now available. Copies were given out at the recent HOSA State Conference and will also be distributed at the HOSA National Leadership Conference, GACTE summer conference, and future workshops. The magazine was produced by the HOSA Foundation - Georgia Healthcare Science Technology Education Foundation (GAHSTEF), and the Georgia Department of Education. The magazine contains articles about health careers, success stories of healthcare students and teachers, and people in healthcare business and industry.

National Consortium for Health Science Education Assessment

Through grant funds, 100 healthcare teachers received a flash drive with resources from the National Consortium for Health Science Education (NCHSE) that correlate with the National Health Science Standards. These resources will help teachers prepare students for the NCHSE assessment. It is possible that if more grant funds become available, we will be able to get some more for those who still would like to receive a copy.

HOSA Conference in Athens

We are extremely proud of all of the Healthcare advisors/teachers and their HOSA students at our recent conference in Athens. Working with the business and industry participants in our exhibit and educational symposium areas, we got to see the students interacting with our business partners. They were very well behaved and seemed to appreciate the opportunity to interact with our partners. The symposiums were well attended even though attendance was voluntary (students could attend these when not in their competitions). We even had to start taking numbers on the forensics workshop due to the number of students who wanted to attend. Quest diagnostics saw close to 350 students in a little over four hours. We heard many comments from the business people about what good questions the students asked, and their good behavior. In addition to Quest Diagnostics we also had The Bio Bus (forensics from Georgia State), a Mental Health presentation (Blue Ridge AHEC), Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Young Worker Safety, Telemedicine, The Student Nurse's Association, and Athens Regional Heart Team.

Workshop

A workshop will be held on March 23, at Northwest Georgia RESA in Rome on "Engaging students through differentiated learning." Registration and details are available at www.ctaern.org.

Public Safety and Cosmetology

We are tentatively planning a "Camp Public Safety" and "Camp Cosmetology" for June 4-7. We need to know if there is enough interest and potential participation to offer it, so please contact Phyllis Johnson at pjohnson@doe.k12.ga.us if you are a public safety or cosmetology teacher and you are interested.

SkillsUSA and Career Expo

The SkillsUSA and the Career EXPO will be held on March 15-17, at the Georgia International Convention Center. There will be demonstrations related to cosmetology and crime scene investigation, a texting and driving simulator, Elaine Sterling Institute (esthetics school), the HERO unit, the US Army, SAVE corporation (a 911 dispatch simulator), and more. We hope everyone can come by and visit the EXPO and watch the competitions on Friday.

Architecture, Construction, Communications and Transportation

New Program Specialist for Architecture, Construction, Communications and Transportation (ACCT)

A Special Note from Carol Burke...

I have met a lot of new people during my first month on the job at the Georgia Department of Education. I really appreciate how receptive and welcoming everyone has been. I am so excited about our future in ACCT. It is my honor to serve the educators and students in Georgia. I look forward to the day when I have met and worked with every ACCT teacher in the state.

Career Cluster Committees

What an exciting and challenging time to be in education! There's so much going on! Meetings are underway to evaluate our Pathways and realign our courses to the Federal Career Clusters. Take a look at the wealth of information on the Career Tech website <http://www.careertech.org/>. Thanks to many of you who have volunteered to serve on the Career Cluster Committees and share your expertise. We are working diligently to add more business and industry representatives to our committees to insure that we reach our goal of aligning our curriculum with the needs of the workforce. Stay tuned for more information as this process continues.

Go Build Georgia

If you haven't taken a look at the Go Build Georgia website, you might want to take a few minutes to see what they have to offer at <http://www.gobuildgeorgia.com>. Mike Rowe of "Dirty Jobs" makes a compelling argument that skilled trades are not alternative education. Mike has some interesting things to say.

SkillsUSA Career Expo

We look forward to seeing everyone at the SkillsUSA Career Expo March 15-17, at the Georgia International Convention Center. This year's Expo promises to be the best ever! Check out information related to the event at <http://www.cefga.org/>.

Program of Work

The Program of Work for the Extended Day grant will become available on March 15. There have been some changes to the requirements for 2012-13 school year. Please feel free to contact Carol Burke at cburke@doe.k12.ga.us or 404-657-8308 with any questions you may have.

Camp T&I

Save the date! Camp T&I is scheduled for the week of June 11, at Savannah Tech. More information will follow soon on this opportunity to get some up-to-date training in your program area.

GACTE

Save the date again! GACTE is going to be held at the Waverly Galleria in Atlanta July 15-18. This year's conference theme is Education & Economic Development Summit. The focus for Monday's meetings will follow a different format and it promises to be an interesting conference! Make plans now to attend.

Marketing, Sales and Service

Hospitality Cluster Meeting

The advisory committee for Hospitality, Recreation & Tourism Pathway and the Sports & Entertainment Pathway, both housed in the Hospitality Cluster, held its third meeting on Monday, March 12, at the Marriott Marquis in Atlanta. Business and industry representatives, postsecondary professors, and high school teachers serving on these committees attended this meeting. We are always adding business and industry people to our committees, and these individuals have the opportunity to provide additional input as to common core skills, technical skills and soft skills needed by employees in the industry. The business/industry representatives meet with the teachers in one of the two pathways to review the current course standards and make suggestions. Each meeting with business and industry experts allows us to proceed in developing/revising a curriculum that prepares our students for Georgia's workforce.

The American Marketing Association

The American Marketing Association (AMA) serves as Marketing Education's Industry Certification sponsor, the provider for professional development resources, and the supporter for DECA judges. AMA provides a \$1,000 scholarship to one Marketing/DECA student each year. This year, the scholarship recipient is Shiv Patel from North Gwinnett High School. Shiv will be honored at AMA's Atlanta Marketers of the Year (AMY) Awards to be held on March 29, at the Fox Theater in Atlanta.

Special Populations – Georgia Career & Technical Education
(CTI, CCAE, Project Success)

Career and Technical Instruction (CTI) and Coordinated Career Academic Education (CCAЕ) New Teacher Summer Institute Workshop

The CTI and CCAE New Teacher Summer Institute Workshop will be held at the Clarke County Board of Education, 240 Mitchell Bridge Road, Athens, Georgia, daily from 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. The workshop dates are: July 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 19, and 20. There is one Saturday workshop day on July 7. The workshop will be posted on www.ctaern.org and registration will be available at the end of March. Hotel information will be emailed to workshop participants when registration is confirmed. Individuals must be hired by a school system to work as a CTI or CCAE Coordinator in order to participate in the Summer Institute and Internship. Participants will need to bring a laptop. No makeup days or hours will be allowed under any circumstances. Attendance at the Georgia Association for Career and Technical Education (GACTE) Conference on July 15, 16, 17, and 18 is also required.

Certification for CTI and CCAE/Project Success Coordinators

To become certified as a **CTI Coordinator (serves students with IEPs)** the following requirements must be met:

- Must hold a valid teaching certificate in the area of Special Education
- Must attend a three week summer training
- Must complete a one year on-the-job internship
- Must have evidence of administration support from both CTAE and special education

To become certified as a **CCAЕ/Project Success Coordinator** (serves all other special pops, not including special education) the following requirements must be met:

- Must hold a valid teaching certificate in any field
- Must attend a three week summer training
- Must complete a one year on-the-job internship
- Must have evidence of administration support

***Please note there were a few misprints in last quarter's newsletter regarding the qualifications for a CCAE Coordinator. The correct information is listed above.*

CCAЕ Curriculum

Coordinated Career Academic Education (CCAЕ) curriculum revision is scheduled to be sent to the State Board of Education for review this spring. Advisory Board Meetings are being held to gain business & industry input. Please watch for upcoming emails regarding public input.

Family and Consumer Sciences (FACS), Culinary Arts, Education

Culinary Arts Certificate

All culinary art instructors should hold a culinary arts certificate or have an interim certificate. If you have an educator teaching culinary arts who is in need of a culinary certificate, the Culinary Institute of America (CIA) will host a two-week training course on June 18-29, at Rockdale Career Academy. We must have at least 14 teachers enrolled for CIA to send instructors to host this training in Georgia. The cost of the course

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is \$1,800; however upon, successful completion of the certificate and requirements, the participant (or school system if they paid \$1,800) will receive reimbursement of \$1,500. Details of this certificate will post on www.ctaern.org within the next week. If you have additional questions, please contact Laura Ergle via email at lergle@doe.k12.ga.us.

Teaching as a Profession Pathway Credit

Recently, a letter sent out to identified teachers on the mailing list on the CTAERN regarding the Board of Regents and GaDOE procedures so your students can receive credit for EDUC 2110 when they successfully complete the Teaching as a Profession pathway. Please follow the guidelines in the letter to ensure all students can receive the credit they have earned.

Advisory Committee Members Needed

We are still looking for additional members of your advisory committees to serve on our business and industry panels to discuss the career cluster implementation in Georgia. Please email Laura Ergle at lergle@doe.k12.ga.us with any contacts you may have for the Culinary, FACS and Education program areas.

FACS Summer College

UGA will host a Family and Consumer Sciences (FACS) Summer College during the week of June 11, with workshops focused around three pathways: Nutrition & Food Science; Early Childhood Care & Guidance; and Consumer Services.

Business and Computer Science

New Program Specialist for Business and Computer Science

A Special Thank You from MistyFreeman...

Thank you to everyone who has made my transition to the Department of Education a smooth one! I jumped right in and began working with the CTAE Delivery Team on several projects with the Business and Computer Science teachers across the state! I am very passionate in my belief that every student can benefit from the Business and Computer Science pathways. Business is a program that can stand alone or compliment any career interest a student has! When in doubt turn off your computer, don't use your electronic devices, forget what you know about leadership and management, and don't consider the financial side of spending or saving your money! Now, can't you see the relevance for business for all students? Business fits everyone no matter what CAREER focus they have! I thank you for your commitment to ensuring quality programs, prepared teachers, and college and career ready students.

Career Cluster Advisory Committees

In order to fully gain an understanding of the expectations and current demands in business and industry, we are continually looking for advisory committee members that want to step up and speak out for what they feel students should learn in the classroom. This aligns perfectly with one of the most important initiatives we are working on at the Georgia Department of Education which is the development of Career Clusters. These clusters will help establish a world-class delivery system that will "Make Education Work for All Georgians." Three clusters have been identified under the area of Business and Computer Science:

- Finance
- Administration/Management
- Information Technology

To ensure each Career Cluster is fully developed, we need advice from individuals in the field who have the knowledge of the skills required in today's workplace. We are looking for passionate individuals in the management /administration, finance, and the IT field to serve with us as we work to develop new curriculum for students in Georgia. Would you be willing to recommend business and industry representatives? If so, please email Misty Freeman at mfreeman@doe.k12.ga.us.

While recruiting and networking with various business and industry professionals, I have already discovered some dedicated professionals who want to work with us to bring relevance to the classroom. Stay tuned for some great, free resources teachers can use in the classroom.

Field of Dreams

I hope that every administrator and school system will support and encourage teachers to participate in the Field of Dreams this summer for relevant, up-to-date, and innovative ideas that leave teachers with valuable resources to use when they return to the classroom. Middle and high school teachers will experience an environment that provides resources, ideas, lessons, material and/or instructions on projects that can be used in the classroom to enhance student learning. Inclusion of FBLA will be included in every workshop.

The Field of Dreams will be offered in North Georgia and in South Georgia for three days each. All workshops will have ten (10) contact hours split between two days. Workshops will be staggered to allow teachers to match their schedule with workshops offered. Teachers may attend one workshop, two workshops, or all the workshops at both locations. There will be a variety of workshops for each session to choose from for each time slot. Check the CTAERN catalog at www.ctaern.org for updates.

FBLA workshops that focus on new ideas will be offered for middle and high school advisors. This is also an opportunity to learn from the best. There will also be an Industry Certification Prep class for all schools going through Industry Certification in 2012-2013:

Workshop 1 – White County High School

- June 11 – 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.
- June 12 – 8:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. (10 contact hours= 1PLU)

Workshop 2 – White County High School

- June 12 – 1:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.
- June 13 -- 8:30 am until 4:30 pm (10 contact hours = 1 PLU)

Workshop 1 – Glynn Academy at Golden Isles Career Academy

- June 19 – 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.
- June 20 – 8:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. (10 contact hours = 1 PLU)

Workshop 2 – Glynn Academy at Golden Isles Career Academy

- June 20 – 1:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.
- June 21 – 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. (10 contact hours = 1 PLU)

Industry Certification

This is the time of the year when schools show off all of the amazing things going on in the programs around the state through the Industry Certification process. Visits are scheduled and teachers are putting the

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finishing touches on the presentations for the committees at the final visit. We encourage all local administration to be a part of the process and the school site visit.

For programs currently certified (132 schools in Georgia), please continue to support the program and remember that each program should submit the annual report for compliance of standards by June 1. The report template was emailed to all teachers, but if you still need the report, please contact Misty Freeman at mfreeman@doe.k12.ga.us. This report is a yearly requirement for all certified schools.

Engineering and Technology



Retirement of Ron Barker

After many years of service to the students, teachers, and educators as an employee of the Georgia Department of Education, Ron Barker has retired. While Ron's retirement is bitter sweet and we will miss his leadership, everyone is happy for this opportunity for Ron to enjoy this phase of his life and spend more time with his grandchildren. Ron began his tenure at a time when Industrial Arts was transitioning to Technology Education and also coordinated the shift to Engineering and Technology in the 90's. Ron did not see the programs in our schools as they were but saw them as they should be; and he challenged all stakeholders to embrace the change process and create the best opportunities possible for Georgia's students.

Job Posting

The position of Program Specialist for Engineering and Technology, Manufacturing, and Energy is posted on the GaDOE website. Please pass the word to anyone that may be interested in this position.

Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs)

Georgia CTSO/GACTE Legislative Luncheon

All Georgia Career Technical Student Organization's and Georgia Association of Career and Technical Educators (GACTE) partnered to sponsor the annual Legislative Luncheon. Over 500 CTSO students attended this event held at the Georgia Freight Depot in Atlanta. The purpose of this event is to communicate the goals and objectives of the legislative agenda to concerned elected officials. Many of our students had the opportunity to meet and greet with their local State Representative and Senator. After the luncheon, students were given a personal tour of the capital and educated on the process of the General Assembly. The day also included a picture with the Governor and Lieutenant Governor. Speakers at the luncheon were Casey Cagle the Lt. Governor, David Ralston the Speaker of the House, and our Georgia State School Superintendent Dr. John D. Barge. What an amazing opportunity for these students!

Georgia CTI

The Career Technical Instruction (CTI) program provides special education support to high school students with disabilities in Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education (CTAE), enabling them to develop employability skills and transition to their desired postsecondary outcome. CTI will host its 31st Annual State Leadership Conference on April 26-28, at the Rock Eagle 4H Center in Eatonton, Georgia. This event marks the culmination of a great deal of hard work and commitment by CTI students and teachers! Over

400 students with disabilities will be competing for the title of state winner within their specific career pathway.

We need volunteers to serve as judges for various CTAE pathway contests. The responsibilities of a judge will only require a four hour time commitment on the morning of Friday, April 27, from 7:30 a.m. until approximately 12:00 p.m. We also need a few volunteers to conduct a preliminary round of competition for Occupational Creative Thinking on Thursday afternoon, April 26.

If you are available on the morning of Friday, April 27, or the afternoon of Thursday, April 26, please email Tammy Caudell at tcaudell@doe.k12.ga.us or call (404) 656-3042. Please respond as soon as possible so that we can begin preparing contest assignments. Likewise, please feel free to pass our information along to other business professionals and/or educators who would also be interested in judging.

Georgia CTI participates in the CTSO Legislative Luncheon

Georgia CTI is continuing to “Create the Image” for students with disabilities. CTI students from the following schools were in attendance at the Legislative Luncheon:

County	School	CTI Coordinator
Pickens	Pickens County HS	Brad Barnard
Bibb	William S Hutchings	Charles Baima
Barrow	Winder-Barrow HS	Joel Bacon
Fulton	Northview HS	Hal Brickle
Dougherty	Dougherty Co. Comp. HS	Tracy Canty
Liberty	Liberty County HS	Dr. Madie Orange
Newton	Alcovy HS	Chris Newsham
Tift	Tift County HS	Dr. Tonja Tift
Crisp	Crisp County HS	Sonya Mizell
Clarke	Clarke County HS	Erik Kriebel
Clarke	Cedar Shoals HS	Jimmy Blose

Georgia DECA

DECA’s brightest students joined together to “Aspire Higher” at the annual State Career Development Conference February 23-25, at the Omni Hotel in Atlanta. Over 2,450 students and advisors were in attendance. DECA members won the right to compete at the international level in the organization’s competitive events program. DECA’s industry validated competitive events are aligned with National Curriculum Standards in the career clusters of marketing, business management and administration, finance, and hospitality and tourism. Competition begins at the local level and advances to regional, state, and international level events. Students have the opportunity to compete in several types of competitions including written events, interviews, role-plays, case studies, as well as individual and team presentations. Events were held over a two day period. A Recognition Session for the awarding of medals was held on Saturday, February 25. Top scoring participants will represent the state association in the international competition to be held as a part of the International Career Development Conference in Salt Lake City, UT April 28-May 1. Other upcoming events include Marketing Speaker Series with the Atlanta Hawks on March 16, and ICDC Competitive Events Training & Marketing Speaker Series with the Georgia Force on April 14.

Georgia FBLA

With over 25,000 members, Georgia FBLA is once again the largest FBLA state chapter in the nation. This year has also seen record participation at all of our conferences. We're ending the year with over 1,300 members participating in our Middle Level State Leadership Conference on March 1, in Macon and expecting over 3,500 members participating in our high school State Leadership Conference on March 23-24, in Atlanta. We also welcome our new state advisor, Mrs. Misty Freeman who was named the Program Specialist for Business & Computer Science.

This year, we introduced the Sweepstakes championship at our Region Leadership Conference, recognizing the chapters that excelled in our Region competitive events. Congratulations to the following chapters:

- Thomas County Central High School
- Lanier County High School
- Savannah Arts Academy
- Swainsboro High School
- Howard High School
- Shaw High School
- Central High School (Carrollton)
- Dade County High School
- Dawson County High School
- Riverwood International Charter School
- Peachtree Ridge High School
- Arabia Mountain High School, McIntosh High School
- Oconee County High School
- Washington-Wilkes High School

Congratulations also go to Brantley County Middle School who captured our statewide Middle Level Sweepstakes championship this year.

Georgia FCCLA

Georgia FCCLA will be hosting its 2nd Annual Culinary Academy on June 11-15, at Camp John Hope in Ft. Valley. Registration is \$175 per student. Visit www.gafccla.com to see a full schedule and to learn more about what we have to offer our culinary students this summer.

Also, mark your calendars for our National FCCLA Conference in Orlando, Florida on July 8-12. We'll be taking more than 300 students and advisers to bring back the GOLD!

Georgia HOSA

Georgia HOSA, an association of future health professionals, just wrapped up the largest HOSA State Leadership Conference in Georgia and in the country. With over 2,800 members and guests, the State Leadership Conference was an overwhelming success! Our theme this year was *Beyond Possible* and we certainly went Beyond Possible as we strengthened the employability skills of all who attended!

We were also fortunate enough to have the past National HOSA president and the current National HOSA president-elect in attendance to share the excitement and energy of this conference.

Thank you to everyone who helped judge the HOSA events!

SkillsUSA Georgia

SkillsUSA Georgia enjoyed the success of the largest State Leadership and Skills Conference and Career Expo with over 7,000 students, teachers, parents and industry partners converging on the Georgia International Convention Center in College Park on February 15-17. The Career Expo is the largest student-directed, industry-lead event of its kind in Georgia and is made possible only through the support of over \$750,000 in industry sponsorship. State Gold Medalists are now preparing for the National Leadership and Skills Conference to be held this June in Kansas City. Gold Medalists will be preparing for the national conference by receiving industry training in local businesses.

Important Dates:

- May 6-12: SkillsUSA Week of Service
- June 23-27: 48th Annual National Leadership and Skills Conference, Kansas City, Missouri
- July 15: SkillsUSA University (Advisor Training), Renaissance Waverly Hotel, Atlanta
- July 15-18: GACTE Summer Leadership Conference, Renaissance Waverly Hotel, Atlanta

Georgia TSA

Georgia TSA held their 50th annual State Leadership Conference in Athens on March 8-10. Over 1,500 students and teachers were in attendance to compete at the state level. Conference highlights included a VIP Tour, reunion of Founding Fathers, and the 50th Anniversary Celebration. The opening session of the conference featured a special tribute to the last 50 years of TSA and focused on the name changes of the organization over the years. The Georgia Association of Industrial Arts Clubs (GAIAC) was formed in 1962 and operated until the American Industrial Arts Student Association (AIASA) was formed and GAIAC became Georgia AIASA; then in 1988 the national association changed their name to the Technology Student Association (TSA) and Georgia AIASA became Georgia TSA. The historical tribute featured an appearance of the first ever State President, and retired educators that served as advisors of chapters during formative years. Students heard comments from Raymond Ginn - first ever State Advisor; Berkely Ruiz - advisor of one of the founding chapters; Doc Elliott, first State President; and Dwayne Hobbs – Tenth State President and current Program Manager for the Georgia Department of Education.

Students competed in many events though out the three day event. On Saturday morning the awards program was held and many students proudly exited with trophies signifying the hard work and accomplishments that went into this year's events. We look forward to many of this year's winners attending the national conference in June to show the rest of the nation the level of accomplishment of Georgia's students.

Work-Based Learning (including Youth Apprenticeship)

The State Board Rule for Work-Based Learning (WBL) was updated and approved by the State Board this past June. Item 2(e) under requirements states, *“Each Work-Based Learning Coordinator shall submit the annual Work-Based Learning Data Report according to the process established by the Division of Career, Technical and Agricultural Education.”*

The FY2012 Youth Apprenticeship Assessment was posted on the website in November and has been a major topic of discussion at the region meetings. This report is required for continued funding and is due April 2, 2012. In December the analysis of the FY10 Assessments was sent to system CTAE Directors with a copy going to the Youth Apprenticeship coordinator. Hopefully, this information has helped you plan improvements for your program.

The Work-Based Learning (WBL) Data Report is used to report all other WBL students that are not in the apprenticeship program, which includes Internships, Cooperative Education and Employability Skill Development. The FY12 WBL Data Report was also posted on the website in November. An analysis of the WBL Data Report has also been completed and the FY 11 data is being added to the FY 10 data. Look for a report to be sent to each system in the next several weeks. The WBL Data Report is due on April 2, 2012, along with the Youth Apprenticeship Assessment (for systems with Youth Apprenticeship grants). All CTAE Directors should work with the leadership in all your schools to assure these reports are submitted annually.

If you have any issues locating the Youth Apprenticeship Assessment or WBL data report or if you have any questions concerning completion of these documents, please contact dhobbs@doe.k12.ga.us

The CTAERN website contains many resources for WBL coordinators. These are located on the same page with the CRE manual constantly have new items added.

Region meetings are the most important staff development activity for WBL/Youth Apprenticeship coordinators. All WBL coordinators are encouraged to attend their region meeting. The next meeting for each region is listed below. Details about these meetings may be found on www.CTAERN.org

