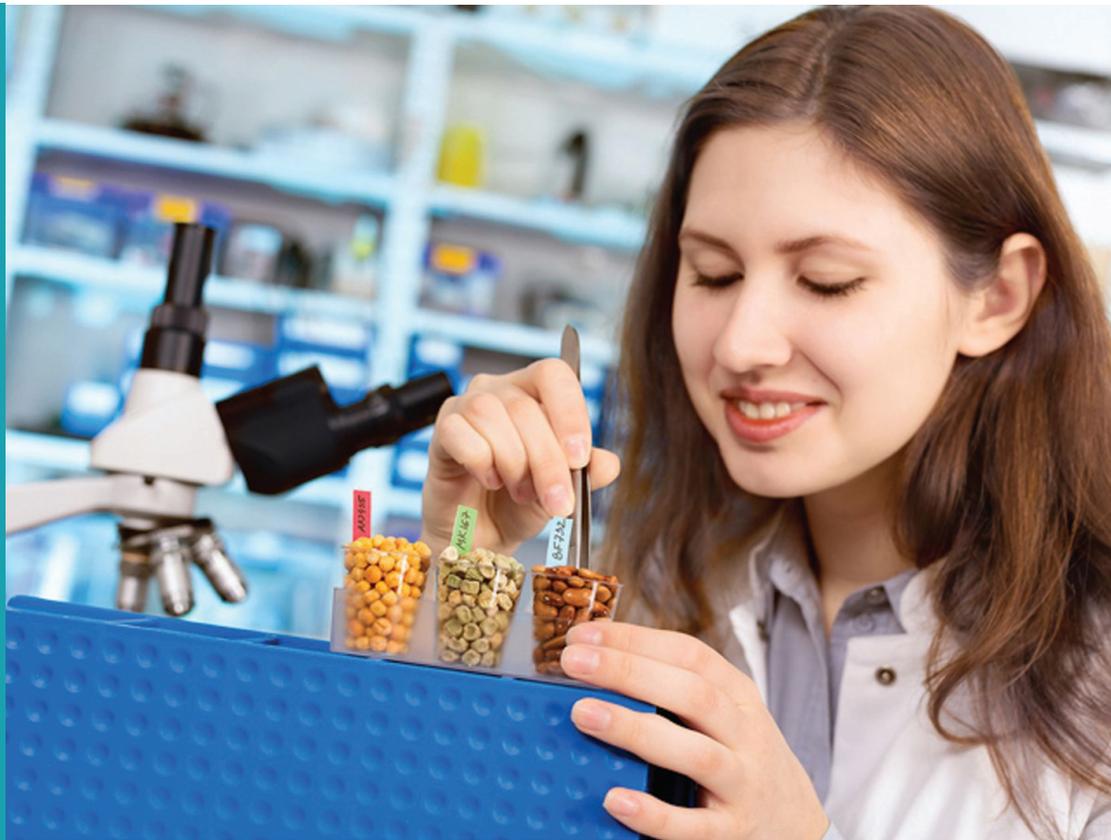




Upcoming Events

- May 31 – Perkins data due
- June 1 – CTE 101 – Mitchell
- June 3 – CTE 101 – Aberdeen
- June 7-9 - Manufacturing Standards Revision
- June 13-15 – Human Services Standards Revision
- June 20-22 - Health Science Standards Revision
- June 28-30 - AFNR Teacher Academy - Viborg

More events at southdakota.gosignmeup.com



What You Need to Know about Perkins

- Perkins funds can be used for CTSO Advisor travel, but cannot be used for student travel costs to CTSO events.
- Any items with a single or aggregate purchase cost above \$3,500 must have at least two unrelated bids on record. Unrelated bids means that they bids must come from independent corporations.

CTE Summer Conference Coming Soon!

The South Dakota Career & Technical Education Summer Conference is sponsored by the South Dakota Department of Education in cooperation with the South Dakota Association for Career and Technical Education. Each year, this conference provides over 300 teachers, administrators, and school counselors the chance to connect with other educators and explore best practices that will help them prepare students to be college, career, and life ready.

This year's conference is scheduled for July 31-August 2, in Sioux Falls, SD. Monday of the conference includes key note speaker Dave Burgess,

author of Teach like a Pirate and numerous industry tours, including something for teachers in every career cluster! Look for a list of tour options in our June newsletter! Tuesday of the conference is dedicated to breakout sessions and content-specific time for each career cluster. A schedule can be found at <http://doe.sd.gov/octe/training.aspx>.

Local Perkins funds can be used for professional development related to CTE Programs of Study, including CTE conference registration fees.

This year's summer conference will feature a new event called CTE Quick Pitch for Cash. This quick

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Harrisburg Audio Visual Students Lend a Hand to State FCCLA

Last year when looking at SD FCCLA State Meeting expenses, the organization was looking for ways to cut the budget. Tracy Kern, Harrisburg FCCLA advisor, who was also president/past-president of the board at the time, recommended that FCCLA should consider having a CTE program provide this service. Mrs. Kern asked the Tiger Vision/audio visual teacher, Mr. Craig Imme if he and his students would be interested in investing their time and skills into the endeavor. He was excited about the idea. This opportunity gave his students real world experience. They were able to take their talents on the road, and show other CTE students what they were capable of. This partnership saved the state organization \$700 by providing this service.

Welding Sculptures

On display during the SkillsUSA contest, welding sculptures have increased in popularity over the years. Artists are able to sell their sculptures. Welding instructors enjoy offering this option to students because it exposes them to multiple welding standards and allows them to use their creativity.

The Spearfish School District actually offers Welding Sculpture as a Fine Art credit. Here are just a few samples of the art on display at this year's contest.





South Dakota

Career and Technical Student Organizations - FFA

Founded in 1928, The National FFA Organization is an intracurricular student organization for those interested in agriculture and leadership. It is one of three components of agricultural education (the three components are classroom/laboratory instruction, supervised agricultural experience programs, and student leadership organizations). The National FFA Organization operates under a federal charter granted by the 81st United States Congress and it is an integral part of public instruction in agriculture. The U.S. Department of Education provides leadership and helps set direction for FFA as a service to state and local agricultural education programs.

By the Numbers:

National FFA

- 629,367 student members
- 7,757 local FFA chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

South Dakota

- 4,482 student members
- 81 local chapters

Mission:

The FFA mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. .

Opportunities:

- Apply for more than \$2 million in scholarships.
- Meet new friends from across the country.
- Learn skills that will help you in your future career.
- Compete on leadership and judging teams.
- Do your part in helping to provide food and fiber to the world.

For more information on FFA in South Dakota visit our website <http://aged.sdstate.edu/> or email FFA Executive Secretary Elizabeth Mayrose at Elizabeth.Mayrose@sdstate.edu.

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pitch competition, scheduled for the afternoon of August 1, is an open opportunity for any South Dakota Career Education teacher/instructor, school counselor or administrator to share their great work with others...for cash prizes!

Pitches of innovative ideas will be judged in three different categories:

- Outstanding Classroom/School Counseling Best Practice
- Innovative CTSO Activity
- Effective Community Outreach

Three cash prizes in each of the three categories will be awarded:

- 1st Place - \$250
- 2nd Place - \$200
- 3rd Place - \$150

Winners' entries and support materials may be shared after the conference through the SDMyLife website and/or other media.

More details will be released soon. But if you are eager to sign up to participate, visit <http://goo.gl/forms/NsXJ2URXnD>.

To register, visit <https://www.regonline.com/SDCTEConference2016>.

DCTE Happenings

The Division of Career and Technical Education hosted numerous webinars recently, where we highlighted all the changes and new options in becoming CTE certified.

Our office is also busy putting the finishing touches on CTE Summer Conference tours, coordinating standards revision meetings for several career clusters, assisting schools with workforce education grant applications, and planning CTE 101 classes for new teachers.

Our office continues to tour businesses and industry across our great state, in order to learn more about what connections can be made between those in the same careers that students are learning about in the classroom.

Workforce Education Grants Due June 3

The first round of applications for the NEW Workforce Education Grant have been submitted and reviewed. We are currently in the process of finalizing awards. The review team had strong applications to consider; we anticipate a large and robust group of applications in the June review period.

The grant guidance/application is available at <http://doe.sd.gov/octe/WEG.aspx>. The next round of applications are due June 3, 2016 and will be announced by June 20, 2016.

The Workforce Education Grants provide Local Education Agencies (LEAs) in South Dakota the opportunity to make transformative change in career and technical education programs.



In The News

- Auto Mechanics Shop Coming to Madison High School
- Board Adopts New Content Standards in CTE Career Clusters
- Makerspaces Offer Equipment for Creation

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