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Board adopts new content standards in CTE career clusters

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Board of Education adopted new career and technical education standards in six career clusters at its meeting earlier today. New standards include Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources; Arts, Audio-Video Technology and Communications; Finance; Health Science; Human Services; and Manufacturing.

“With standards work group members representing secondary education, the state’s two- and four-year colleges, and business and industry, these standards will help South Dakota students prepare for fulfilling careers in fields with need for skilled professionals,” said Tiffany Sanderson, director of career and technical education for the South Dakota Department of Education.

The new standards will be posted at <http://doe.sd.gov/octe/careerclusters.aspx>

Work groups will begin meeting this summer to revise career and technical education content standards in five more career clusters: Business Management and Administration; Government and Public Administration; Hospitality and Tourism; Marketing; and Transportation, Distribution and Logistics. Public hearings on these revised standards are scheduled to start later this year.