



Weekly Web Update

January 27, 2012

This weekly bulletin is sent out each Friday, as needed, to keep you informed of recent or planned updates and additions to the Career and Adult Education Web pages.

<http://www.fldoe.org/workforce/>



[Gold Standard Career Pathways Articulation Agreements](#)

At its meeting on January 24, 2012, the Florida State Board of Education approved 14 additional Gold Standard Career Pathways Articulation Agreements based on Industry Certifications. This action brings the total number of agreements to 116 which may be viewed at: http://www.fldoe.org/workforce/dwdframe/artic_frame.asp.

[Bi-monthly Conference Calls](#)

The Bi-monthly Conference Call for Secondary - District Career and Technical Education Directors will be held on **Monday, January 30th** at 1:30 PM EST.

The 2012 schedule for all bi-monthly conference calls can be found at the following link: <http://www.fldoe.org/workforce/pdf/2012CallSchedule-all.pdf>.

[2012 Legislative Update](#)

The [2012 Legislative Session Bill Tracking spreadsheet](#) is available on our Legislation page at <http://www.fldoe.org/Workforce/legislation.asp>. To access the bills, please click on the bill number in the spreadsheet. This spreadsheet is updated every week.

[2012 - 2013 Federal Grant Funding](#)

The Florida Department of Education, Division of Career and Adult Education posted the 2012 - 2013 Adult Education, Perkins Career and Technical Education and Farmworker Jobs and Education Program funding application information. All funding information can be found on the Division of Career and Adult Education website at <http://www.fldoe.org/workforce/dwdgrants/default.asp>.

Additional information regarding 2012 - 2013 "Funding Opportunity" conference calls will be available soon on the Division of Career and Adult Education website. If you have questions, please contact Dr. Ike Gibson at 850-245-9026 or via e-mail at Ike.Gibson@fldoe.org.

[TABE Test Administrator Certification Workshop](#)

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- **March 3, 2012 – Florida State College at Jacksonville (Downtown Campus) – Region II, 101 W. State Street, Rm. A2108, Jacksonville, FL 32202**

To register for these workshops, please visit Florida TechNet at <http://www.floridatechnet.org>.

1. Review the workshop that you are interested in and click on the [Training Calendar](#)
2. Select the month and the date of the workshop for more information.
3. Click on the Survey Monkey link to register for that workshop.

For more information, please contact Zelda Rogers at (850) 245-9906 or Zelda.Rogers@fldoe.org.

[USF Masters Degree \(MA\) in Career and Technical Education](#)

University of South Florida is accepting applications for the Fall 2012 cohort for their online Masters Degree (MA) in Career and Technical Education. The MA in CTE is a two-year, 12 course internet-based program with three Saturday meetings in Tampa each year (including initial orientation on a Saturday in August of 2012).

There are participants from all areas of CTE at the middle school, high school, technical center and community college levels involved. No GRE score is required! You do not have to be pursuing the MA degree to enroll in the courses required for Local Director of Vocational Education certification.

For more information on the Masters Degree in Career and Technical Education, please visit <http://www.coedu.usf.edu/main/departments/ache/cte/cte.html> or contact Dr. Edward Fletcher at (813) 974-0029 or by e-mail at ecfletcher@usf.edu.

[The Florida Distance Learning Consortium](#)

[DEVELOPING A DIGITAL TEXTBOOK STRATEGY FOR YOUR CAMPUS SYMPOSIUM](#)

- **February 8, 2012** – 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM EST
[Orlando Marriott Lake Mary](#)

The Florida Distance Learning Consortium invites you to join us at a one-day symposium on institution and state-level digital textbook initiatives. The goal is to provide attendees with an understanding of the national trends, exposure to the prevailing models for both publisher digital textbooks and open textbooks, and an opportunity to participate in a panel discussion of the various issues surrounding the models.

Faculty, policy-makers, and experts from Florida and across the country will describe their digital textbook programs, policies, results, and best practices. Two panel discussions will provide you with an opportunity to share your comments and ask questions. The first panel includes digital textbook providers and an open textbook provider, and the second panel includes speakers from other state systems and institutions that have established digital textbook programs.

For more information visit: <http://www.fldlc.org/digitaltextbookstrategysymposium.htm>.

[2012 Congress-Bundestag Vocational Exchange Scholarship](#)

[FINAL REMINDER!!](#)

Florida is once again participating in the Congress-Bundestag Vocational Exchange Scholarship Program. This scholarship/exchange program is administered by Nacel Open Door and provides an opportunity for 25 graduating high school seniors to spend one year in Germany exploring their career interests.

Please bring this scholarship/exchange program to the attention of students you feel would be good candidates. The German vocational education system is quite innovative and has provided Florida students with a very unique and worthwhile learning experience.

The application and more information can be obtained from the Department of Education's website at

http://www.fldoe.org/workforce/programs/cp_bundestag.asp. Completed applications must be postmarked and mailed no later than **January 31, 2012**, to the following address:

*NACEL OPEN DOOR
380 Jackson Street, Suite 200
St. Paul, MN 55101*

If you have any questions regarding this scholarship/exchange program, please contact Patrick Wright at (800) 342-9271 or via e-mail to Patrick.Wright@fldoe.org.

[In the Limelight](#) [Workshops Teach Teens to be Money Masters](#)

Learning about how to manage personal finances can be a daunting task for adults, but it can be especially difficult for teenagers. To provide middle school students and their parents with valuable information on the many important aspects of personal financial management, the Palmer Munroe Teen Center (PMTTC) is offering a series of workshops entitled Money Masters.

Additional workshops will be held on the third Saturday of each month through May, and there will also be a week-long spring break camp. Money Masters partners include the PMTC, the United Way of the Big Bend, Godby High School Academy of Finance, Tallahassee Community College/College Reach-Out Program and WFSU-TV. The series is designed to educate middle school students and their parents about the importance of earning, saving, budgeting and investing money. The goal is to ensure that youth and their families receive the skills and tools necessary to make good decisions about their finances.

The Palmer Munroe Teen Center, open Monday - Saturday from 2:00 – 8:00 pm, is a joint venture between the City of Tallahassee, Leon County and the Leon County School District. For more information on the Teen Center, please call (850) 891-2568 or visit www.talgov.com/parks.

Contact: Tomica Archie Smith, Palmer Munroe Executive Director, (850) 891-2568; or Bill Behenna, Communications Department, (850) 891-8533

[Submissions for "In The Limelight" News](#)

The Division of Career and Adult Education would like to feature your success stories! Share the good news about your students, state and national winning teams, teacher accomplishments, etc. For more information or to submit your success stories, please contact [Jodi Tillman](#), so we can highlight them on the Web. Remember – your good news deserves to be in the LIMELIGHT!

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