

STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION

November 8, 2023

TOPIC: CCCS Future Ready Panel: Listen and Learn Clean Tech and Climate Resilient Technologies

PANEL:

The panel includes two System level executives (Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs and the Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic and Workforce Development, representative from the Colorado Workforce Development Council, industry/employer representatives (large, medium and start up), and two college presidents to illustrate the partnerships between colleges and industry/employers occurring in communities across Colorado.

EXPLANATION:

CCCS is embarking on the development of a new strategic vision and plan (2025-2030) and as part of their meetings the Board is engaging stakeholders for listening and learning sessions on mission critical aspects of our work. CCCS strives to be a partner of choice for providing education and training programs that provide existing and potential learners/workers with the skills needed by Colorado employers. Clean Tech and Climate Resilient Technologies is an area that CCCS is working to meet existing needs as well as planning for emerging industries.

A facilitated discussion with stakeholders will include key questions such as:

- What are you seeing in the current workforce landscape for your business/industry?
- Tell us the most challenging part of meeting your current workforce challenges?
- What are some of your previous experiences working with community colleges?
- What do you think will be the most challenging part of meeting your future workforce challenges over the next 5 year?
- When you think about 5 years or even 10 years ahead for your industry and workforce, what factors do you think we should keep top of mind to meet the workforce needs of your industry?
- What do you most hope community colleges offer to our learners and to your future workforce?

RECOMMENDATION:

Informational only. No Board action required.