

STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION

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TOPIC: Career and Technical Student Organization Presentation

PRESENTED BY:

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- Carson Carere, DECA State President, Lamar High School;
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RELATIONSHIP TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN:

The demands of Colorado businesses and communities shall be met through the development of a high skilled work force; and Colorado students shall have the opportunity to succeed through high quality, cutting-edge instruction and educational services.

EXPLANATION:

The Colorado Community College System Educational Services Division Office of Career & Technical Education offers world class Career & Technical Student Organizations (CTSO) to all CTE enrollees across Colorado. These organizations prepare secondary and postsecondary students for productive citizenship and leadership roles in their communities. The career and technical student organizations (CTSO) are regarded as an integral part of Colorado's career and technical education.

The organizations provide a unique program of career and leadership development, motivation, and recognition for secondary and post-secondary students enrolled in Career and Technical Education programs. In Colorado each CTSO has been developed as a powerful instructional tool that is integrated into the local districts' Career and Technical Education curriculum.

Dedicated classroom teachers provide organized curriculum-oriented activities that help students gain career, leadership, and personal skills that maximize employability and the ability to become productive citizens in the workforce, home, and community. Colorado Community College System CTE Assistant Program Directors serve as the "executive directors" of each state recognized CTSO.

Our established organizations are:

(SC)² = SUCCESSFUL CAREER STUDENTS OF COLORADO ALTERNATIVE COOPERATIVE EDUCATION (ACE)

Mission: To assist at-risk students with career planning, entrepreneurship, interviewing, job applications and personal finance.

Membership: Although the ACE CTSO is the youngest CTSO, it has experienced positive growth, with over 100 students participating in the Student Leadership Conference last year.

Conference: The 2022 ACE Student Leadership Conference, including educational workshops,

competitive events and skill demonstrations will be held at the Arapahoe Community College on Friday, April 29, 2022.

DECA

Mission: DECA prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs in marketing, finance, hospitality and management.

Membership: Colorado DECA has over 7,300 high school members registered for the 2021-2022 school year. Colorado DECA is one of the largest of 55 chartered associations in International DECA and continues to grow.

Conference: Over 3,000 members will have the opportunity to attend the *Colorado DECA State Leadership Career Development Conference* held at the Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs on February 27-March 1, 2022. The state conference has been held at the Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs every year but three since 1964.

FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA—PHI BETA LAMBDA (FBLA—PBL)

Mission: FBLA-PBL inspires and prepares students to become community-minded business leaders in a global society through relevant career preparation and leadership experiences.

Membership: Colorado FBLA-PBL serves approximately 5,300 middle school, secondary and post-secondary career and technical education students preparing for careers in business.

Conference: The State Leadership Conference will be held April 18-20, 2022 at the Gaylord Rockies Resort and Convention Center in Denver, CO.

FAMILY, CAREER AND COMMUNITY LEADERS OF AMERICA (FCCLA)

Mission: Colorado FCCLA is a state association of the national career and technical student organization for young men and women in Family and Consumer Sciences Education. Since 1946, Colorado FCCLA members have been making a difference in their families, careers and communities by addressing important personal, work and societal issues through family and consumer sciences education.

Membership: There are nearly 1,000 FCCLA members in Colorado in 135 chapters.

Conference: The State Leadership Conference will be held April 14-16, 2022 at the Sheraton Denver Downtown.

HOSA – FUTURE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

Mission: To enhance the delivery of compassionate, quality health care by providing opportunities for knowledge, skill and leadership development of all health science education students, therefore, helping students to meet the needs of the health care community.

Membership: There are over 2,200 students enrolled in Colorado HOSA this year. HOSA boasts over 200,000 members nationally.

Conference: Over 1,000 attendees will experience three days filled with motivational, recognition and awards sessions, healthcare workshops, and over 60 competitive events at February 22-24, 2022 at the Sheraton Downtown Denver Hotel.

NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION (FFA)

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

Membership: Colorado FFA has experienced a membership growth year again with over 7,800 members in 120 secondary programs. Nationally, the FFA has again reached a record high membership with over 700,000 members.

Conference: The 92nd Annual State Convention will take place June 7-9, 2022 at CSU-Pueblo.

SKILLSUSA

Mission: SkillsUSA is a national organization serving teachers and high school and college

students who are preparing for careers in technical, skilled and service occupations. SkillsUSA empowers its members to become world-class workers, leaders and responsible American citizens. SkillsUSA enhances the lives and careers of students, instructors and industry representatives as they strive to be champions at work.

Membership: More than 1,900 secondary, postsecondary members, alumni, and professionals are served by the SkillsUSA Colorado organization annually.

Conferences: The State Leadership and Skills Conference will be held April 6-8, 2022. Events will occur at Pikes Peak Community College in Colorado Springs, Pueblo Community College in Pueblo, and the Hotel Elegante in Colorado Springs.

TECHNOLOGY STUDENT ASSOCIATION (TSA)

Mission: The Technology Student Association fosters personal growth, leadership and opportunities in technology, innovation, design and engineering. Members apply and integrate science, technology, engineering and mathematics concepts through co-curricular activities, competitive events and related programs.

Membership: There are 83 chapters across the state serving nearly 1,800 middle and high school students.

Conferences: The TSA State Conference will be held February 24-26, 2022 at the Denver Tech Center Marriott.

The CTSO presentation today will focus on how these organizations integrate academics and provide authentic experiences to ensure that all of our students leave our programs postsecondary and workforce ready.

RECOMMENDATION:

The CTSOs would be honored to have the members of the State Board consider being a judge at one of the state conferences in the spring of 2022.