



ESU #3 Perkins District Coordinators

Spring Meeting

2024 Agenda and Notes

April 24, 2024

Time: Meeting begins at **8:30 a.m. and concludes by 11:30 a.m.**

Location: ESU #3, 6949 S. 108th St., La Vista, NE
Platte Rooms I & II

Zoom information: [ZOOM link](#) (click to join @ 8:30 a.m.)

Cost: No cost, Light breakfast served, Courtesy of Valmont Industries

Attending: *Please add your name to the list*

DISTRICT	ATTENDING	DISTRICT	ATTENDING
ARLINGTON	Shawna Koger	MILLARD	Melanie Olson - zoom
BELLEVUE	Brad Stueve - Zoom	PAPILLION LAVISTA	
BENNINGTON	Dee Hoge Jimmy Feeney	PLATTSMOUTH	Tina Harvey
BLAIR	Tammy Holcomb - Zoom Brett Schwartz - Zoom	RALSTON	Sara Zabrowski-Gates
CONESTOGA	Lisa Bergmeyer - Zoom	SPRINGFIELD PLATTEVIEW	Jim Jennings, Amy Thayer
DC WEST	Dawn Marten - Zoom	WEeping WATER	Krystl Knabe
ELKHORN	Nick Hinz	WESTSIDE	
ELMWOOD MURDOCK		NDE	Jami Denny
FT. CALHOUN	Zoom-Rose/Dustin	Other	Brandy Balzer, Nancy Mohr, Scott Lubben
GRETNA	Shawn Hoppes, Russ Olson	ESU #3	Laurie Kerr
LOUISVILLE	Jesse Zweep - Zoom	ESU #3	Josh Wilken

All, please review the [LIST](#). If the contact information is no longer accurate for 2023-2024, please update the information.

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Agenda & Notes ([SLIDES](#), [Recording](#) - some audio issues):

8:30 - 8:45 Welcome, Introductions, and Agenda Review

- How did you spend your state CTE funding?
 - Professional learning, purchasing items that Perkins doesn't support, equipment, alignment between CTE and Core areas, curriculum alignment, welding materials, and construction materials
- Summer 2024 Planned Professional Learning

8:45 - 9:20 From NDE ([SLIDES](#)) (0:56;10)

- Federal and State Updates Perkins V
 - Staffing Updates
 - Technical Assistance Meetings
 - April 19, 2024 ([Recording Available](#))
 - New CTE Grant Administration Meeting - October 18, 2024
 - Office hours? - not this year.
 - Applications & Budgets due May 15, 2024
 - GEPA (General Education Provision Act) Questions
 - Required as part of submission starting last year.
 - Capital Assets Form for items over \$5000.
 - Perkins Management Guide (updated for 2024-2025)
 - 2024-2025 Allocations
 - Performance Improvement Plans
 - If performance does not meet the state targets - a performance improvement plan is required to be submitted as part of the Annual Grant Narrative
 - [Professional Learning Opportunities](#) from NDE
 - [NCE Conference](#) - June 3-5, 2024
 - 50th annual conference
 - Get hotel rooms ASAP - other events in Kearney during that time.
 - Registration is open.
 - JumpStart Teacher Training July 15-18
 - Leadership Academy - July 29-31, 2024
 - Representation from all Career Fields
 - Contracting with UNL staff
 - Technical Skills Workshops - June & July
 - Middle School CTE Landscape
 - Still work in on this
 - [LB 520](#) - Amendment to Computer Science & Technology Act

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- Updated guidance as of February 2024
- 2024-2025 CTE State Funding
 - Will look similar to this year
 - All districts will get a minimum \$7,500
 - Deadline to submit (will get back to us with that)
 - Should align to your ReVISION outcomes
 - More flexibility than with federal funds
 - **Question for follow up: When will the deadline be for the State CTE Funds budget to be put into GMS? (Melanie Olson)**
- Questions -
 - Slides will be shared and attached in the Agenda
 - **Question: New funds - reimbursement or deposit? Will amounts change?**
 - The State CTE funds will be distributed to LEAs upon submission of the reimbursement request (no carryover of funds from year-to-year)

9:20 - 10:00 Perkins Consortium & Network Information (:20:00)

- Megan Bell, [InternNE Grant Program](#)
 - Connects employers to students for internship opportunities.
 - Businesses can be reimbursed up to half the cost of taking on an intern.
 - Who are the interns
 - Recent graduates (no more than 12 months post graduation)
 - High School Jrs. & Srs. As well as other adult learners
 - Symplicity - like a LinkedIn platform
 - Speed Networking - to connect businesses and educators
 - Student H3 Industry Panel Discussion
 - for students to learn about opportunities and network with business partners
 - Paid Internships for students
 - guaranteed mentor
 - Elevated internship experiences
 - Symplicity is the hub for enrollment and exploring opportunities.
 - Ability to feature by region and skills, and duration of the internship
 - Career Finder to help students better discern their interests and how they might align to a specific career.
 - Can upload resume and apply all in one-location
 - Questions
 - Any deadline - or are applications on-going?

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- on-going; always new opportunities.
 - Company determines the duration of the internship
 - WBL opportunities during the school year
 - 240 hours minimum experience
 - What percentage of opportunities are open to high school students?
 - Can someone present to local advisory boards and businesses? - Yes.
- [Additional Information from Megan](#)
- District CTE Materials Conversation (:42:22)
 - [Collaborative Document](#)
 - [CTE Teachers / Leaders Directory](#)
- VR in CTE
 - trnsfrvr.com
 - Immersive, hands-on learning experiences
 - Auto, Aviation, Construction, Diesel, Electrical, manufacturing, health sciences
- Discussion

10:00 - 10:10 Break

10:10 - 11:30 Consortium Topics (:51:19)

- Advisory Committee Updates
 - Recap of March 25th Meeting ([minutes](#))
 - Strong focus on data analysis
 - Additional/new members to consider?
 - Recommended 5-year term, but not definite
 - Suggestions / Questions from the committee
 - Donations from business: These will run through districts individually, not the consortium. Communication is key with your business office. How the donation is documented may depend on tax implications as well (foundation vs. district office). Utilizing advisories / business partnerships works well to articulate needs for donations (monetary, equipment, etc). Donations can be time, talent, or treasure.
- 2023-2024 Perkins Wrap-Up
 - [Report Card](#)
 - Collective academic results across consortium districts.
 - New state academic targets
 - **Question: Can we dual code courses to allow for work based learning? (Krystl, WW)**

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- Annual Grant Narrative
 - [Spending Summary](#)
 - No requirement based on percentage to inventory vs. professional learning (currently 73% vs 27%)
 - H3 Focus (high skill, wage, demand) as a consideration in spending
 - Communications and STS highest spending areas
 - Balancing H3 with student interest areas
 - NFS certified for food equipment, industry standard equipment across all areas
 - **Question: Can we use Perkins funds in conjunction with State CTE funds? (Krystl, WW)**
 - FROM NDE: splitting the cost of an item between the 2 grants is allowable and for tracking purposes, the split in funding would show on the district's transaction reports.
 - [Inventory and PD](#)
 - [Required uses of funds](#)- Annual Grant Narrative
 - Rationale aligned to program goals
 - Funds allowed grades 5-12
 - Local Application Has Been preliminarily Approved!
- Reimbursement Requests for PD (Summer/Spring)
 - Attending NCE
 - Arlington
 - Conestoga
 - Elmwood-Murdock
 - Ft. Calhoun
 - Springfield-Platteview
 - Weeping Water
 - Due on or before **July 16th @ 12:00 p.m.**
 - Must close out 23-24 before funds go out for 24-25
- 2024-2025 Carl D. Perkins Grant Procedures
 - Review of Revised [4-year Application Goals and Year 1 Action steps](#)
 - Spending Plan questions?
 - **Due on Friday to Laurie K !**
 - May 22nd due to NDE

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