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## <u>M E M O R A N D U M</u>

TO:	Career and Technical Education Directors
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FROM:	Loretta Costin Country Costin
SUBJECT:	Professional Development Institute

There have been several changes to the Perkins Professional Development Institute (PDI) grant that is administered by Central Florida Community College that I want you to be aware of and take advantage of:

- The grant deadline has been extended one month to July 31, 2010. This will allow secondary and postsecondary CTE teachers and faculty to take advantage of regional summer industry certification workshops and testing being scheduled. Information on these workshops is posted at: <a href="https://www.cf.edu/departments/instruction/workforce/perkins.htm">www.cf.edu/departments/instruction/workforce/perkins.htm</a> .
- An additional \$135,000 has been added to the PDI grant for the purpose of funding these workshops and for individual teacher and faculty industry certification mini-grants. All certifications must be completed by June 30, 2010 and results returned to the Institute at Central Florida Community College by July 15, 2010.
- Professional Development funds are being made available for postsecondary CTE faculty to attend a CTE Faculty Seminar on Assessing Program Learning Outcomes and the State Assessment Workshop on June 10 and 11, 2010, at Valencia Community College. More information will be sent out through the Occupational Education Standing Committee very soon.

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• The Professional Development Institute web site has been improved and is being updated on a regular basis. I encourage you to refer to it often for upcoming workshops, application forms and directions, and industry certification results. You can use the link above or just go to <u>www.cf.edu</u> and enter "Perkins" in the search box.

If you have any questions on the Perkins Professional Development Institute, please contact Mr. Brian Voge at Central Florida Community College via e-mail at <u>vogeb@cf.edu</u> or by phone at 352-237-2111 ext. 1693.

Thank you.

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