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FOREWORD

An Introduction to the Community Colleges of Iowa and An Inventory of Community College Cooperative Relationships, April 2002 represents an update of the original publication dated October 1, 1999. The first edition of this report was prepared in response to stated interests outlined in Senate File 464 passed by the Senate and House in the spring of 1999. This bill was ultimately signed into law by Governor Vilsack.

Included in this report is a comprehensive inventory of cooperative relationships involving community colleges and local school districts, accredited nonpublic schools, other accredited postsecondary institutions, the Department of Education, and Iowa Community Colleges with each other. In addition, also included is a review of the history of community colleges in Iowa, enrollments, the mission of community colleges as outlined in the Iowa Code, and a few important facts regarding enrollments, Boards of Trustees, Advisory Committees, etc.

Appreciation is extended to the Trustees, Presidents, and staffs of the Iowa Community Colleges for their cooperation in providing information contained in this report.

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A.I. INTRODUCTION TO IOWA'S COMMUNITY COLLEGES

The first public junior college in Iowa was established by the Mason City School Board in 1918. The Burlington School Board followed suit in 1920 by establishing the Burlington Junior College. The final public junior college to be established by a local school board was the Keokuk Community College in 1953. Between 1918 and 1953, 35 different public junior colleges were established in Iowa although by 1965 only 16 public junior colleges were still in operation. Enrollments in these colleges totaled 9,110 in 1965. There were also four public postsecondary vocational-technical schools in operation by 1965 with close to 1,800 students enrolled.

The Iowa General Assembly and Governor passed and signed legislation enabling the establishment of Iowa's merged area community colleges and technical institutes in 1965.

The Iowa Legislation closely paralleled recommendations contained in the Truman Commission's report to the Nation in the late 1940's. This report recommended a national network of two-year colleges be established adhering to the following four basic criteria:

- A. Controlled Locally
- B. Publicly Financed
- C. Charge Little or no Tuition
- D. Be within commuting distance for most Americans

The demand for two-year colleges in Iowa was great. By the spring of 1971, 15 community colleges had been established and all 99 of Iowa's counties had joined one of the state's newly established districts. On the following pages, the reader will find the mission statement for Iowa's Community Colleges as outlined in Chapter 260C.1 of the Iowa Code. In addition, an overview of educational activity at the 15 community colleges is listed together with each of the 12 statements of policy comprising the mission of Iowa's community colleges.

260C.1 Statement of policy.

It is hereby declared to be the policy of the state of Iowa and the purpose of this chapter to provide for the establishment of not more than fifteen areas which shall include all of the area of the state and which may operate community colleges offering to the greatest extent possible, educational opportunities and services in each of the following, when applicable, but not necessarily limited to:

- 1. The first two years of college work including preprofessional education.
- 2. Vocational and technical training.
- 3. Programs for in-service training and retraining of workers.
- 4. Programs for high school completion for students of post-high school age.

- 5. Programs for all students of high school age who may best serve themselves by enrolling for vocational and technical training while also enrolled in a local high school, public, or private.
- 6. Programs for students of high school age to provide advanced college placement courses not taught at a student's high school while the student is also enrolled in the high school.
- 7. Student personnel services.
- 8. Community services
- 9. Vocational education for persons who have academic, socioeconomic, or other disabilities which prevent succeeding in regular vocational education programs.
- 10. Training, retraining, and all necessary preparation for productive employment of all citizens.
- 11. Vocational and technical training for persons who are not enrolled in a high school and who have not completed high school.
- 12. Developmental education for persons who are academically or personally under-prepared to succeed in their program of study.

Community colleges have grown in importance and in the providing of service to all of Iowa's citizens. In a word, Community Colleges Serve Iowans. Outlined below are a few critical facts about Iowa's Community Colleges:

- A. Approximately 92 percent of community college credit students are Iowa residents.
- B. Over 88 percent of community college alumni with known addresses are Iowa residents.
- C. It is estimated that over 50 percent of the new freshmen in Iowa colleges and universities who are Iowa residents are enrolled in our community colleges on an annual basis.
- D. Approximately 6,000 Iowans serve on community college advisory committees.
- E. 124 Iowans are elected to serve on community college boards of trustees.
- F. Credit student enrollments in Iowa's Community Colleges for the 2001 fall term totaled 68,581.

- G. Community college unduplicated headcount enrollments in adult and continuing education now approach 350,000 annually.
- H. Over 5,000 Iowans per year are tested successfully through the General Equivalency Diploma program examination at an Iowa Community College.

B.I. COOPERATIVE AND COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS BETWEEN COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Northeast Iowa Community College:

- 1. participates in the ACCES Consortium with six other Iowa Community Colleges providing data and mainframe services and web delivery of Internet courses.
- 2. offers a joint Medical Lab Technology program with Hawkeye Community College.
- 3. participates in a variety of ICN collaborative efforts with other community colleges.
- 4. participates in operating a Technical Assistance Center with Kirkwood and Hawkeye Community Colleges for School-to-Work Implementation site supporting career development, curriculum integration, and system change.
- 5. operates the Farm and Family Financial Management courses in cooperation with all other community colleges.
- 6. participates in the Study Abroad Consortium to provide international educational experiences for students.
- 7. shares resources with Des Moines Area Community College in the offering of Truck Driving courses.
- 8. participates in a reciprocity agreement with Southwest Wisconsin Technical College at Fennimore.
- 9. is a partner in a Health Services Administration Agreement with Kirkwood Community College and Mt. Mercy College.
- 10. participates in the Iowa Community College Corporate Training Institute (One Source) with other community colleges.

North Iowa Area Community College:

- 1. is the lead community college in the Iowa Entrepreneurial Consortium. The Entrepreneurial Consortium is comprised of twelve community colleges, the University of Iowa, and the University of Northern Iowa.
- 2. operates a joint Medical Lab Technology program in cooperation with Hawkeye Community College.

- 3. is the lead community college in offering Society for Human Resources Management (SHRM) courses.
- 4. participates in the Community College business Network Grant with other Iowa Community Colleges.
- 5. is the lead community college in offering APICS courses on the ICN.
- 6. partners with Kirkwood Community College to offer Waste Water Training.
- 7. collaborates with ISU to offer NAPM (National Association of Purchasing Management) training.
- 8. partners with UNI to offer CNC, Bindery, and Quality Training using the Iowa Training Opportunities Program.
- 9. collaborates with other Iowa Community Colleges to schedule and deliver firefighter training.
- 10. collaborates with other Iowa Community Colleges to offer pre-real estate licensure training.
- 11. is co-writing a grant with Iowa Valley Community College for Command Spanish training.
- 12. collaborates with other Iowa Community Colleges to offer continuing education for insurance licensure.

Iowa Lakes Community College:

1. is a participant with Western Iowa Tech Community College, Northwest Iowa Community College, and Iowa Central Community College in the operation of the Northwest Iowa Allied Health Consortium. Provides joint offerings of Health Education Programs.

Western Iowa Tech Community College is the granting institution for the Physical Therapy Assistant and the Occupational Therapy Assistant Programs. Northwest Iowa Community College provides the Health Information Systems Program. Medical Lab Technologies is offered at Iowa Central Community College. In the shared programs, students are enrolled at both colleges and can be listed as a graduate from both colleges or either college. Students can take year one at Iowa Lakes and complete any of the programs listed at their campus. Transcripts are issued from the granting institution. 2. has an articulation agreement with the Radiography program at Iowa Central Community College. Iowa Lakes serves as a "feeder" into this program and students can earn general education courses at Iowa Lakes before transferring directly to Iowa Central Community College.

Northwest Iowa Community College:

- 1. participates with Iowa Lakes Community College, Western Iowa Tech Community College, and Iowa Central Community College in the operation of the Northwest Iowa Allied Health Consortium. *See Iowa Lakes (1) for details.*
- 2. provides joint Board of Trustees work session and in-service.
- 3. conducts visits to other community colleges involving faculty and staff.
- 4. participates with other community colleges in FastTrac entrepreneurial training.
- 5. participates in the ACCES Consortium with six other community colleges for the sharing of data and mainframe services.
- 6. is a member of a seven community college consortium offering online credit courses leading to an associate degree.
- 7. participates in a joint effort with Eastern Iowa Community College District, Southwestern Community College, and North Iowa Area Community College for the providing of skill training through the Graphic Arts Training Center of Iowa.
- 8. participates in consortium grants to the Iowa Department of Economic Development in cooperation with Western Iowa Tech Community College and Iowa Lakes Community College.

Iowa Central Community College:

- 1. participates with Iowa Lakes Community College, Western Iowa Tech Community College, and Northwest Iowa Community College in the operation of the Northwest Iowa Allied Health Consortium. *See Iowa Lakes (1) for details.*
- 2. operates an Over-the-Road Truck Driving Program with North Iowa Area, Iowa Lakes, Western Iowa Tech, and Iowa Western Community Colleges.
- 3. participates in a joint effort with Des Moines Area Community College and North Iowa Area Community College and the Iowa Department of Economic Development in the Farm Cooperative Networking Program.

- 4. operates Mine Safety Courses in cooperation with Iowa Valley Community College District.
- 5. operates the Farm and Family Financial Management Courses in cooperation with all other community colleges.

Iowa Valley Community College District:

- 1. serves as fiscal agent for the Iowa Community College Telenet. This system facilitates voice communication activities between the state's 15 community colleges.
- 2. participates in LINC and/or CLIC each year.
- 3. and Iowa Central and North Iowa Area Community Colleges shared expertise and assistance in the development of an Automotive Technology Lab.
- 4. is involved with the other community colleges in a variety of ICN course offerings.
- 5. a member of a consortium of community colleges structured to deliver Lean Manufacturing training and simulations.

Hawkeye Community College:

- 1. is a participant in a Medical Laboratory Technology program consortium with Northeast Iowa Community College and North Iowa Area Community College.
- 2. is involved in the sharing of resources by offering courses utilizing the ICN as the delivery mechanism. Example: In collaboration with Northwest Iowa Community College in the offering of a Music and Performing Arts Appreciation course during the spring of 1999.
- 3. has developed collaborative relationships for a variety of grant applications. Example: Working in cooperation with Kirkwood Community College in the implementation of a National Science Foundation Grant.

Eastern Iowa Community College District:

1. offers pre-press, press and bindery training through the Graphic Arts Technology Center of Iowa in cooperation with a variety of community colleges.

- 2. participates in a Reciprocal Agreement with Blackhawk College of Moline, Illinois for Vocational Technical program enrollments.
- 3. participates in a jointly offered Truck Driving Program with Blackhawk College of Moline, Illinois and Sauk Valley Community College of Dixon, Illinois.
- 4. participates in an Allied Health Training Agreement with Carl Sandburg College of Galesburg, Illinois. Students are provided an opportunity to participate in advanced training in areas such as ultrasound.
- 5. participates in a Health Services Administration Agreement with Kirkwood Community College.
- 6. participates in a dental hygiene program with Kirkwood Community College.
- 7. operates the Hazardous Materials Technology Training and Research Institute in cooperation with Kirkwood Community College.
- 8. operates a regional center for PRO-E training in cooperation with Blackhawk College of Moline, Illinois.

Kirkwood Community College:

- 1. is a partner with six other Iowa Community Colleges and one in Illinois in the sharing of a mainframe computer located on the Kirkwood campus. Software utilized is designed to assist in the management of administrative records such as student applications, grades, and financial aid status. Those community colleges participating in Iowa are Northeast, Northwest, Eastern, Southeastern, Iowa Lakes, and Hawkeye. Lake Land Community College in Illinois is also a participant.
- 2. operates the Hazardous Materials Technology Training and Research Institute in cooperation with the Eastern Iowa Community College District.
- 3. is the host location for 92 colleges which are members of Community Colleges for International Development (CCID).
- 4. is one of Iowa's Community Colleges that have cooperatively developed the fouryear Iowa Mold Builders Apprenticeship Program with the Iowa Plastics Industry Consortium, the U.S. Department of Labor, and the Iowa Department of Economic Development.
- 5. is a partner with the Eastern Iowa Community College District in the offering of the Industrial Health and Safety Degree Program. Core courses are delivered over the ICN to both colleges.

6. delivers seven core courses from the Fire Science Degree Program via the ICN, allowing students across the state to take the general studies course component at their local community college.

Des Moines Area Community College:

- 1. in cooperation with Kirkwood Community College and PMX Industries, provides training in the areas of manufacturing resource planning and APICS certification.
- 2. participates in a cooperative training contract with Indian Hills, Western Iowa Tech, Hawkeye, and Iowa Central Community Colleges in the offering of courses to members of the Plumbers and Steamfitters Union.
- 3. in cooperation with the Iowa Manufacturing Partnership and the 14 other community colleges, DMACC is providing training in Lean Manufacturing.

Western Iowa Tech Community College:

- 1. cooperates with Iowa Western and Indian Hills Community Colleges in the implementation of a Datatel Management Software program.
- 2. is a participant with Iowa Lakes Community College, Northwest Iowa Community College, and Iowa Central Community College in the operation of the Northwest Iowa Allied Health Consortium. *See Iowa Lakes (1) for details.*
- 3. participates with Iowa Western Community College to offer High Performance Management Training.
- 4. in cooperation with Iowa Western Community College recently applied for funding from the Iowa Recycling program.
- 5. is currently pursuing joint funding with Iowa Western Community College that would provide support for a short-term construction technician program.
- 6. hosts a Fire Science program that is delivered in cooperation with Kirkwood Community College.
- 7. participates with all 15 community colleges in the Iowa Community College International Association, which sponsors a Student Study Abroad program each fall and cooperates on other international education projects.
- 8. participates with Des Moines Area Community College in a cooperative training agreement for the offering of courses to members of the Plumbers and Steamfitters Union.

- 9. is a member of the Iowa Community College Online Consortium in developing an online degree program.
- 10. is a partner with Morningside College and Briar Cliff University to offer the WINGS Conference (Young Women Investigating Math and Science) for 7th and 8th grade females. The focus of the conference is to provide role models of women working in nontraditional careers, which focus in math and science.

Iowa Western Community College:

- 1. offers a Sign Language Interpreting program that co-sponsors workshops/interpreter training for Iowa Community College personnel.
- 2. is a member of the e-College Online Community College Consortium offering distance-learning courses.
- 3. actively participates in statewide discipline meetings such as the Iowa Arts and Sciences Administrators and Iowa Vocational-Technical Dean's Association.
- 4. secondary program coordinators are actively involved with community college Tech Prep grantees.
- 5. and Southwestern Community College jointly offer the Electro-Mechanical Technology program with half of the courses taught by SWCC and half by IWCC. Both colleges partner in the offering of courses in Industrial Operations Management utilizing the ICN.
- 6. faculty and staff participate in the Community College English/Humanities Teachers of Iowa group.

Southwestern Community College:

- 1. participates in statewide ICN program for Activities Coordinators working with Long-Term Care.
- 2. hosted a statewide Limited Practice Radiography workshop. All of Iowa's community colleges participated.
- 3. staff members have provided safety training for Iowa Western and welding training for Iowa Western and Des Moines Area Community College.
- 4. is a participant together with all 15 community colleges in preparation for the transition and implementation of new GED tests and the national Adult Basic Education reporting system.

- 5. is a participant in the statewide ICN offering of a series called Management of the Critically III Patient designed for health care professionals.
- 6. offers a national satellite program on Immunizations and Public Health training. IVCCD is the lead institution; 12 community colleges are involved.
- 7. is working with the 15 community colleges in the development and implementation of medication aide, medication manager, certified nurse aide and restorative aide training programs.
- 8. is working with Iowa Western and the Southwest Iowa Health Education organization to present an educational day for certified nurse aides within both college districts.
- 9. serves as a test site for dental assistant testing. Test sites are available in every community college district.
- 10. is cosponsoring a Disease Epidemiology and Prevention program with the Department of Health and five community colleges. This will be the sixth year of this program.
- 11. Adult Basic Ed program is developing a consortium with the Department of Education and other community colleges, to develop a statewide family literacy initiative.
- 12. is offering statewide ICN insurance continuing Ed.
- 13. works with Eastern Iowa Community College to offer Dietary Manager Training, following our 90-hour food supervision classes.
- 14. is a member of the Iowa Community College Online Consortium, a group of seven Iowa Community Colleges offering over 35 Internet-based courses.
- 15. is a partner with the Iowa Citizen Foster Care Review Board to provide training and skill building for facilitators of local Foster Care Review Boards.
- 16. jointly offers an Electro Mechanical Technology program with Iowa Western Community College. Half of the classes are offered at the Clarinda campus of Iowa Western and half at the Red Oak Center of Southwestern.
- 17. is working with Iowa Central Community College to offer a foreign language class(es) to Southwestern students.
- 18. is working with Iowa Western Community College to develop regional academy tech prep programs to be offered to high school students through the Red Oak Technology Center.

Indian Hills Community College:

- 1. in cooperation with Iowa Valley Community College District offers a Radiologic Technology program.
- 2. in cooperation with Southeastern Community College operated a cooperative industry-training venture with Roquette America of Keokuk.
- 3. provided leadership in developing statewide articulation of secondary classes to community college business-related programs.

Southeastern Community College:

- 1. is a member of the Insurance Management Program for Area Community Colleges with five other community colleges. IMPACC offers coverage for the operation and maintenance of worker's compensation, liability, and other insurable risks.
- 2. is a member of the Tri-State Online Consortium involving several community colleges offering distance education via the Internet.

Five very important cooperative efforts between community colleges have become operative during the past few years. They are (1) The Iowa Community College Internet Consortium, (2) The Iowa Entrepreneurial Consortium, (3) LINC and CLIC, and (4) The Telenet System.

1. ICCIC Online AA Degree Program

The Iowa Community College Internet Consortium (ICCIC), made up of eleven of Iowa's community colleges, has put together a comprehensive plan to develop an online Associate of Arts (AA) degree during the next three years. In order to facilitate bringing this program online, the ICCIC has submitted a grant proposal to eCollege.com, (formerly Real Education, based in Denver, CO.), in response to their recently announced "100 Degrees Online Grant Program" RFP. ICCIC's grant proposal outlines a plan to translate traditional courses into online courses, provide faculty with training and support, market the online program, and provide for academic excellence and pedagogically superior learning for community college students.

The eleven member colleges of the ICCIC are: Southeastern Community College, Southwestern Community College, North Iowa Area Community College, Iowa Central Community College, Iowa Western Community College, Des Moines Area Community College, Iowa Valley Community College District, Eastern Iowa Community College District, Western Iowa Tech Community College, Iowa Lakes Community College, and Northwest Iowa Community College.

2. The Iowa Entrepreneurial Consortium

The Iowa Entrepreneurial Consortium (IEC) is a collaborative effort to offer entrepreneurial education to Iowans across the state. Formed in the fall of 1997, the consortium is comprised of the University of Iowa and the state's 15 community colleges. The institutions offer two different FastTrac training programs: FastTrac 1 for aspiring entrepreneurs to evaluate a new business concept; and FastTrac 2 for existing small business owners to improve and grow a small business. The ICN is utilized throughout the consortium to increase the quality and consistency of the programs.

For fiscal year 1999 (July 1, 1998, to June 30, 1999), 295 aspiring entrepreneurs evaluated new business opportunities through the FastTrac 1 program statewide, and nearly 91 existing small business owners participated in FastTrac 2. Plans call for increased enrollment in both training programs for fiscal year 2000.

3. LINC and CLIC

Community colleges provide leadership to the state's Regional Telecommunications Council. The community colleges provide technical assistance for network classrooms, planning and trouble-shooting for local area networks, scheduling of video sites, and other related support activities for the Iowa Communications Network.

Iowa State University, College of Education, working in cooperation with the 15 community colleges of Iowa have offered the following graduate workshops for the past several years:

A. Leadership Institute for a New Century –

LINC provides academic and internship opportunities to encourage the advancement of women and minorities and other aspiring professionals into administrative leadership roles at Iowa Community Colleges.

Both programs continue to be strongly supported by Iowa's community colleges as they have been for the past several years.

B. Community College Leadership Initiative Consortium –

CLIC is designed to meet the professional education needs of Deans, Directors and Department Chairs in Iowa's community colleges. This program is intended to provide these upper level and mid-management administrators with a valuable staff development experience.

CLIC Focus

- provide the latest in management and supervision theories
- current issues in the community college sector
- licensure requirements for administrator evaluator approval and renewal

4. The Telenet System

The Iowa Telenet System is funded by the Iowa Community Colleges and the Workforce Preparation Department at the Iowa Department of Education. The Telenet System provides state-of-the-art connections for conference calls between two or more community colleges providing extensive opportunities for frequent communications.

5. One Source Training

The Community Colleges of Iowa have developed a cooperative structure named One Source Training. One Source Training has been created as an alliance among Iowa's 15 community colleges to improve training opportunities for Iowa businesses and public sector agencies. Client companies and organizations contracting with One Source Training for training will gain the following advantages:

- 1. One-stop-shop for design and delivery of quality training programs statewide through a single point of contact with an Iowa Community College representative.
- 2. Lower training costs available through the community colleges' statewide network of training and development resources.
- 3. Consistent pricing statewide for companies who need training at multiple sites.
- 4. Access to the highest quality training available in Iowa.

C.I. RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS

I. Northeast Iowa Community College:

- 1. has articulated agreements on Career Path Ways, School-to-Work and Tech-Prep in place between NICC and 25 community school districts.
- 2. has joint agreements that are operative with seven community school districts enabling the offering of Postsecondary Enrollment Options classes to secondary students in secondary school facilities.
- 3. meets with representatives of 20 school districts to discuss common areas of concern and also opportunities for joint programming.
- 4. has operating agreements in place with three community school districts for the operation of jointly administered programs as provided for under the PSEO Act. Delivery methods range from traditional teaching presentations to the use of the ICN.
- 5. conducted articulation workshops with local district faculty to develop career pathways.
- 6. operates alternative high schools for several local school districts.
- 7. developed a 2 + 2 tech prep agreement with a local school district for CISCO training that will provide a model for additional 2 + 2 agreements within the college's merged area.
- 8. has several K-12 teachers who serve on technical education advisory committees.
- 9. provides free ASSET testing to students participating.
- 10. partners in the Program Alternatives in Vocational Education with the Keystone AEA and local secondary schools for students enrolled in secondary special education programs.
- 11. hosts several activities for high school students, ex: speech contests, science project competition, and office education competition. NICC has received national recognition for the writer's workshop hosted for high school writing students and mentored by NICC students.
- 12. participates in America Reads Program. NICC students mentor elementary students in this reading program.

- 13. together with Hawkeye Community College and Kirkwood Community College have partnered with their AEA's and economic and workforce development organizations in their regions to support the statewide delivery of School-to-Work technical activities to over 100 school districts throughout Iowa.
- 14. has working agreements in place with their college service area's 27 local school districts providing for the joint offering of continuing education classes.
- 15. participates in financial aid workshops for students, parents, and staff of secondary schools.
- 16. is a partner with the AEA in hosting a counselor's day for the areas K-12 counselors.
- 17. provides counseling services to assist recent immigrants as they enter local public and nonpublic school systems through the Immigration Center located at the college's Dubuque center.
- 18. provides free career exploration and portfolio services to the 68 public and private schools in the NICC district for grades 8-12.

II. North Iowa Area Community College:

- 1. has a long history of regional cooperation with the local school districts and AEA II. At the present time, eighteen K-12 districts are involved with Tech-Prep programs.
- 2. operates six Hub sites at which a growing list of shared programs are offered. These Hub sites represent the cooperative efforts of 16 districts working with the community college and area businesses and industries.
- 3. has joint agreements with all local community school districts enabling the offering of Postsecondary Enrollment Option classes to secondary students in secondary school facilities, on campus, in NIACC outreach centers, online, and over the ICN network.
- 4. offers over 200 articulated high school credit courses throughout the district.
- 5. offers community education classes in virtually every community in the college's district through partnerships with local school districts.

- 6. invites top students from every regional high school to participate each summer in an Entrepreneurial Camp held on the NIACC campus.
- 7. makes available complimentary tickets to local school districts enabling their students to attend NIACC Leadership Series events (which have featured speakers such as Shimon Peres, Lech Walesa, and F.W. deKlerk).
- 8. makes available complimentary tickets to local school districts enabling their students to attend NIACC Performing Arts Series (which have featured performances such as Carmen, Romeo and Juliet, and others).
- 9. makes available clinic and co-performing opportunities for local high school students with visiting performing artists including jazz clinics and Hamlisch.
- 10. hosts the statewide North Iowa Technology Fair in cooperation with the AEA and local school districts. Approximately 600 educators attend this annual event.
- 11. provides district coordination for National History Day, a program for all sixth through twelfth grade students in AEA II.
- 12. hosts the MATHCOUNTS Competition for North Iowa Middle School youth.

III. Iowa Lakes Community College:

- 1. serves as the Fiscal Agent for the Area III Eastern Perkins Consortium. Assists in the coordination of activities supported by Perkins funding and helps local school districts develop action plans for vocational education offerings. There are 7 school districts participating in the consortium.
- 2. Tech Prep Coordinator is also the Secondary Programs Coordinator for the community college and serves as the Eastern Perkins Consortium Coordinator.
- 3. sponsors annual articulation workshops for all pathways disciplines. High school faculty meets with college faculty to coordinate the curriculum programming.
- 4. offers shared vocational programming with area high schools in the areas of Health (one shared health program is housed on site at an accredited nonpublic school), Automotive Technology, Hospitality Management and Broadcast Telecommunications. Eleven area high schools are partners in these efforts.

- 5. partners with six local high schools to deliver a regional high school academy in Industrial Technologies, Agriculture, CISCO Systems, and Hotel and Restaurant Management. This program has been offered on the Emmetsburg campus since the fall of 1999.
- 6. annually, hosts a Career Showcase for area middle and high school students to assist with career choices.
- 7. provides free ASSET testing of area eleventh graders to document proficiency in math and reading skills for those districts that do not administer ITEDS to that grade level. These ASSET tests will be administered with several schools as well as an accredited nonpublic high school.

IV. Northwest Iowa Community College:

- 1. participates in cooperative offerings for Postsecondary Enrollment Options that are currently operative involving 14 public school districts.
- 2. developed an alternative high school in partnership with 14 local school districts. Also established a satellite site to accommodate additional students.
- 3. offers vocational-technical courses for high school students in the following areas: Allied Health, Carpentry, Machining, Auto Body and Welding, and Computer and Industrial Instrumentation.
- 4. provides the use of facilities (classrooms) to secondary schools.
- 5. has participated in the joint purchase of instructional equipment with the Sheldon school district. Also, the community college has provided technical assistance in high-tech areas such as computer technology.
- 6. provides high school students free ASSET testing.
- 7. conducts financial aid workshops for area eleventh and twelfth grade students. NCC also hosts a one-day career fair for both eighth grade and eleventh grade students each year.
- 8. conducts a one-week Entre Prep institute for twelfth grade students.
- 9. is a partner in articulation agreements with 35 high school districts for one or more courses.

- 10. participates in cooperative continuing education offerings with all area community school districts.
- 11. conducts annual articulation workshops providing opportunities for high school faculty to meet with college faculty for the purpose of coordinating curriculum programming.
- 12. hosts annual coordinated faculty in-service programs, faculty-to-factory projects and school-to-work programs with local school districts.
- 13. hosts Career Education Conference for area K-12 teachers.
- 14. hosts parent meeting on selecting a college.

V. Iowa Central Community College:

1. is a partner with several K-12 school districts in a consortium developed for the purpose of the delivery of programs funded with Perkins dollars. Those cooperating school districts and their respective consortia memberships are as follows:

Consortium: Albert City-Truesdale; Alta; Newell-Fonda; Sioux Central; Storm Lake; and Schaller-Crestland

The above joint effort also represents secondary vocational programs coordinated by the community college in cooperation with the local school districts.

- 2. operates alternative school partnerships with the following school districts and their respective clusters:
 - (a) Eagle Grove Alternative School serves Eagle Grove and Clarion/Goldfield
 - (b) Webster City Alternative School serves Webster City and surrounding districts such as Stratford and Northeast Hamilton
- 3. is a partner in VESS (Vocational Education for Special Students) program. VESS is a cooperative project between Iowa Central, Arrowhead AEA, and local secondary schools for students enrolled in secondary special education programs. The school districts listed above under alternative school partnerships also participate in the VESS program.
- 4. provides opportunities for high school students to take college credit classes while still enrolled as a high school student through the Project Early Bird Program. Courses are offered in the student's own high school

in conjunction with their high school classes. There are 29 school districts participating in the Early Bird Program.

- 5. has working agreements with 28 school districts for the offering of college courses that permit high school students to enroll under the Postsecondary Enrollment Options Act.
- 6. hosts Business, Health Sciences, and Industrial Technology competition days for high school students in the college's nine-county service area.
- 7. is a partner in a cooperative agreement for the purpose of providing community education opportunities with all of the local school districts in the nine-county service region.
- 8. is a partner and administrator for regional and tech-prep programs.

VI. Iowa Valley Community College District:

- 1. is a partner in cooperative agreements with all 16 local school districts located in the community college's service district. Joint activities include continuing education.
- 2. participates in several 28-E agreements in place between the college and several school districts for the providing of shared course offerings as well as college course delivery in those districts.
- 3. sponsors alternative high schools in cooperation with the school districts of Marshalltown, Grinnell, Iowa Falls, Ackley, and Alden.
- 4. has delivered college level courses to local school districts utilizing the ICN network during the past year.
- 5. President and the Deans of both the Marshalltown and Ellsworth campuses have traveled to every school district in Merged Area VI to meet with K-12 superintendents and other administrative staff to discuss mutual cooperation designed to better serve the public.
- 6. sponsors a cooperative high school counselor awareness program called Area Schools Assistance Program.
- 7. participates in an agreement which involves the Marshalltown Community School District and several other partners for the services of a shared Safety Manager and Trainer. IVCCD houses the employee and also serves as the fiscal agent for the partnership.

- 8. works in partnership with the Eldora Training School and the Iowa Juvenile Home for vocational education for out-of-school youth, and delivers GED and high school completion programs for the youth at those two facilities.
- 9. provides leadership assistance in the establishment of collaboration of Tech-Prep efforts through the Regional Planning Board.
- 10. The Marshalltown and Ellsworth Community Colleges and area high schools provide Postsecondary Enrollment Options offerings allowing high school juniors and seniors to enroll in college credit classes.
- 11. is participating in a planning grant (\$10K) with Poweshiek County Schools to develop a regional academy.

VII. Hawkeye Community College:

- 1. offers live face-to-face vocational-technical and liberal arts credit classes in six community school districts.
- 2. participates with four local school districts in the establishment of Alternative High School Education opportunities.
- 3. participates in joint efforts with AEA VII and local school districts in administering Tech-Prep School-to-Work offerings. Plans are designed to help secondary students acquire career information and practical experience to better facilitate students career-to-work planning. The prep programs are operational in metals manufacturing and information technology. Additional programs in the development stage include the areas of health care and skilled trades.
- 4. the college's library has a working agreement with all local school districts and Area VII to provide photocopied magazine and journal articles.
- 5. facilitates students from several school districts participating in Postsecondary Enrollment Options courses offered through the community college.
- 6. has appointed several teachers from throughout the local school districts in Merged Area VII to serve on technical education advisory committees at the community college.

7. continues to offer opportunities for face-to-face meetings between instructors at the secondary and postsecondary levels to work on course articulation.

IX. Eastern Iowa Community College District:

- 1. cooperates with the school districts of Davenport, Clinton, and Muscatine schools in the operation of Alternative High School Programs.
- 2. offers a Building Trades Construction Program on a cooperative basis with two local school districts. Opportunities are offered for both high school and college credit classes. Cooperative agreements are also in place for the offering of culinary arts and other vocational programs as well.
- 3. has functioning articulation agreements in place with all 22 of the K-12 districts in Merged Area IX.
- 4. offers mini-programs to special needs students in several area K-12 districts.
- 5. provides leadership for school-to-work activities that are offered on a joint basis with five local school districts.
- 6. participates in the offering of Postsecondary Enrollment Options programs to students from 22 local school districts.
- 7. administers a variety of other cooperative activities such as business partnerships, tutoring programs, Career Days, College Quiz Bowl, sharing of equipment, and College Bound.
- 8. provides on-site college credit classes for high school students at Davenport Central, Davenport North, Pleasant Valley, North Scott, and Assumption.
- 9. provides facilities for medical career courses in Clinton and Camanche.
- 10. provides a transportation academy for students of Bettendorf and Pleasant Valley high schools.
- 11. provides health careers program for Muscatine High School students.
- 12. provides continuing education programs in accounting and turf management for secondary agriculture teachers.

13. staff serve on a variety of high school advisory committees for various technical education programs.

X. Kirkwood Community College:

- 1. administers the Workplace Learning Connection which offers school administrators and employers a single point of contact through which workplace tours, internships and job shadowing can be scheduled for students. Tours and Teacher-at-Work opportunities can also be arranged for faculty. Thirty-three local school districts share the services of this office.
- 2. provides leadership for new and developing partnerships with five community school districts now operating comprehensive alternative programs. These programs provide an extensive intake system, work-based curriculum, computer-aided instruction, teacher-led classes, and partnerships with agencies and local communities.
- 3. is involved in the Vocational Individualized Training and Learning Program which includes local school districts in Area X and the Grant Wood Area Education Agency in the operating of an integrated vocational-technical training program for young adults with disabilities.
- 4. the Grant Wood Area Education Agency, and four local school districts have established the Metro Interagency Insurance Program. Through this entity, the involved educational agencies collectively purchase health insurance and related coverages.
- 5. and the Grant Wood Area Education Agency, plus all 33 Region X K-12 school districts and representatives from business, labor, economic development organizations and other workforce development agencies have signed a consortium agreement to support and coordinate the development and delivery of school-to-work and tech-prep activities in the region. Kirkwood's Executive Director, Secondary Programs, is the co-chairperson of this consortium.
- 6. in addition to Northeast Iowa Community College and Hawkeye Community College have partnered with the AEA's, economic development and workforce development organizations in their regions to support the statewide delivery of school-to-work technical activities to over 100 school districts throughout Iowa. The center provides capacity building, system change, career development, and staff development assistance to participating school districts. The center supports one of the largest resource web sites at the Department of Education.

- 7. delivers high school courses via correspondence to 125 high schools in Iowa. In FY 99 Kirkwood had over 1,100 registrations.
- 8. has over 500 signed course articulation agreements with 100 local school districts in Iowa for the delivery of college level courses to high school students. This is believed to be the most comprehensive program of its type in Iowa.
- 9. provides the opportunity for ESL students at Cleveland Elementary in Cedar Rapids to work with Kirkwood international students through participation in two programs. International students complete the service learning component of their Advanced Communications class at Cleveland Elementary. In addition, the International Mentor Association provides mentors to work with Cleveland Elementary students.
- in cooperation with the Secondary Programs departments and eleven health facilities in five counties open their doors to high school students interested in pursuing careers in the health sciences. In FY 99 90 students from 20 school districts participated in the program.
- 11. partners with the Juvenile Court System and Alternative Services to provide career skill development in high demand occupations for adjudicated youth. Students may earn both high school and college credit while developing skills to prepare them for meaningful careers.
- 12. is involved in a joint effort with the Grant Wood Area Education Agency and various local businesses and organizations in the operation of the Woods Quality Center. The mission of the Woods Quality Center is to integrate continuous quality improvement into the culture of the region by providing and developing resources, technical assistance and leadership for individuals, organizations, and communities.
- 13. provides high school completion courses and programs to over 600 students annually. Kirkwood confers between 800 900 GED's and high school diplomas every year making it the largest high school graduating class in the state.
- 14. makes available an annual report to their region's local education agencies providing information relating to the academic preparedness in math and writing for that school's graduates now attending Kirkwood. Information relating to program majors, credit hours, degrees earned, progress over time, and identification of reverse transfers from other institutions of higher education is provided.

- 15. is currently exploring the development of a Dental Lab Technician Certified-to-Career program with area high schools and various interests from the dental laboratory industry.
- 16. is presently involved in the development of a Career Academy that would support the establishment of 2 + 2 programs for approximately 300 area junior and senior high school students in demand occupations.

XI. Des Moines Area Community College:

- 1. has articulation agreements with 81 community school districts. These agreements facilitate student entry to the community college from their high school.
- 2. offers the Youth At Risk program to students from 37 area school districts. This program provides high school students short of needed high school credits the opportunity to enroll in a highly structured, supplemental curriculum to earn needed credits. These credits can be applied toward the traditional high school diploma or toward the DMACC Adult High School Diploma.
- 3. is a partner in the Strive program, a cooperative programming effort between DMACC and 28 local public school districts. Strive provides high school seniors who have some type of disability and who have met all graduation requirements except courses leading to their vocational goal, the opportunity to enroll at DMACC in appropriate vocational courses.
- 4. participates in dual credit programs and classes district-wide involving 50 school districts.
- 5. offers Tech Prep programs on the Ankeny, Newton, West Des Moines, and Carroll Campuses in the areas of Automotive, Diesel, Information Technology, and Manufacturing. Thirty-five school districts participate in this programming.
- 6. offers ESL opportunities for students from 12 school districts.

XII. Western Iowa Tech Community College:

1. has provided leadership in Regional Tech-Prep initiative throughout the college's service area by developing 2+2 Tech-Prep agreements with local school districts for Auto Tech, Auto Body, Computer Networking, Health Occupations and Air Conditioning.

- 2. conducts articulation workshops each year involving secondary and Postsecondary instructors in all 24 high schools. WITCC has 246 articulation agreements in 19 different program areas.
- 3. provides articulation information that is continually updated and posted on the community college web page for shared use.
- 4. provides leadership and sponsors Alternative High Schools at the request of local school districts in the following communities: Sioux City, Le Mars, Denison, Sergeant Bluff, and Cherokee. A total of twelve local school districts participate in these alternative high schools.
- 5. provided the leadership in developing the League of Schools consortium. This entity enrolls more than 1,600 secondary students from 26 local school districts at this time. In addition, many other students are enrolled in a variety of Postsecondary Enrollment Options courses.
- 6. has working agreements in place between the community college and 24 local school districts enabling the joint offering of continuing educational opportunities.
- 7. has a number of local district faculty on advisory committees.
- 8. sponsors financial aid workshops in all area high schools.
- 9. has a partnership with Crescent Park Elementary School.
- 10. assists in sponsoring senior proms for all area high schools that request the college's participation.
- 11. is a host site for statewide ICN training provided for high school counselors.
- 12. developed local academies in several high school districts to provide CISCO Networking instruction.
- 13. is a host site for FFA Soils Contest.
- 14. Upward Bound provides academic assistance and postsecondary educational planning services to disadvantaged, low-income and/or firstgeneration college bound students attending target schools within the WITCC service area. WITCC Upward Bound operates an annual six-week on-campus summer "college simulation" experience for program participants. This program serves approximately 50 students per year.

- 15. sponsors an Educational Talent Search that provides postsecondary planning assistance and financial aid/scholarship information to disadvantaged, low-income and/or first-generation college bound students attending target schools within the WITCC service area. This program serves approximately 800 students per year.
- 16. partners with area colleges to provide the WINGS Conference (Young Women Investigating Math and Science) for 7th and 8th grade females. The focus of the conference is to provide role models of women working in nontraditional careers which focus in math and science. Invites all area middle schools in Region XII and a 30-mile radius in Nebraska and South Dakota to participate.

XIII. Iowa Western Community College:

- 1. works with area high schools to arrange practicum and internship experiences in Sign Language Interpreting and Education.
- 2. has several area high school teachers that serve on advisory boards for programs of study at the college.
- 3. offers Honors Early Start courses via the ICN.
- 4. and area high school students and teachers are invited to participate in Law Day programs via the ICN.
- 5. is the administrative entity for Carl Perkins funds to support cooperative efforts with all local school districts within Merged Area XIII. Also, Tech Prep funds and activities are managed by IWCC.
- 6. sponsors discipline-specific career days inviting students to work with college students in a variety of course and lab experiences.
- 7. representatives serve on the LEA Superintendents Advisory Committee.
- 8. offers the Senior Select program to qualifying high school seniors. This program provides to all eligible seniors the educational option to enroll in a community college career and technical program during their senior year.
- 9. has articulation agreements in place with 34 school districts in southwest Iowa.
- 10. offers an Extended High School (BLAST) for special population students throughout Area XIII who qualify for this educational program.

- 11. provides Postsecondary Enrollment Options courses to high school juniors and seniors.
- 12. offers Dual Credit courses in career and technical programs at several area high schools.
- 13. conducts annual financial aid workshops for students and staff at area high schools.
- 14. conducts a Scholastic Arts program in Language and Fine Arts for area high school students.
- 15. sponsors Seamless Education Workshops in Calculus and Chemistry for secondary and postsecondary faculty and administrators.
- 16. students in the Dental Assistant program teach proper dental hygiene techniques to elementary school children.
- 17. students in the Sports Medicine program work in collaboration with the Jennie Edmundson Sports Medicine program to provide certified trainers to area high schools.
- 18. invites area high school speech, theater, and music students to special IWCC theater performances.
- 19. KIWR, Iowa Western's radio station, hosts high school students in career shadowing opportunities.
- 20. co-hosts the Iowa/Nebraska "Art on the River" Art Educators Conference.

XIV. Southwestern Community College:

- 1. is a partner in 28-E agreements with fourteen area school districts. Programs include coursework in: Computer Technology, Construction Technology, and Auto Mechanics.
- 2. sponsors annual business contests for students of all area high schools. These contests provide opportunities for performance assessment.
- 3. houses two alternative schools for area high schools.
- 4. hosts a counselor's day for all area K-12 counselors. In addition, college staff coordinate departmental curriculum meetings with area instructors.

- 5. is in partnership through the "America Reads and America Counts Program" with 3 local K-12 schools, and with the local YMCA Big Brothers/Big Sisters program.
- 6. participates in a joint effort between the local school districts and the community college in the cooperative offering of the adult and continuing education programs.
- 7. makes their science laboratories available for area elementary school students.
- 8. is a partner with the AEA in an operating reciprocal agreement relating to cooperative use of facilities.
- 9. hosts a regional tech prep conference for Area XIV schools.
- 10. has partnered with Red Oak Community School District, Red Oak Industrial Foundation, Buena Vista University, and Bellevue University to construct a new regional Vocational/Technical Center that will offer high school tech prep, two-year degree, and four-year degree programs.
- 11. works in cooperation with area high schools to provide college courses on the Iowa Communications Network, including Corning, Diagonal, Mormon Trail, Villisca, and Red Oak.

XV. Indian Hills Community College:

- 1. has in place approximately 110 Vocational Education Articulation Agreements with local school districts throughout southeast Iowa and northeast Missouri.
- 2. provides leadership in Jointly Administered Vocational Programs cooperatively operated between Indian Hills and four local school districts.
- 3. offers Dual Credit Arts and Sciences Programs to all 25 local school district junior and senior students over the ICN.
- 4. is a partner in working agreements between the community college and all 25 local school districts in the merged area for the joint offering of continuing education courses.
- 5. operates a Tech Prep funded program in one school district.
- 6. operates Nurse Aid programs in 14 school districts.

XVI. Southeastern Community College:

- 1. together with all 13 local school districts, and the AEA, have signed off on an agreement indicating their interest in participating in the regions Tech-Prep Consortium for FY 2000-2004. This program meets the requirements of the Perkins III legislation.
- 2. is a partner in a 28-E agreement that is in place between four local school districts that comprise the northern consortium. This agreement establishes a Construction Technology program. In this program, an SCC instructor will teach the Wheels of Learning curriculum to high school juniors and seniors. An on-the-job training component will also be a part of the program. Students will have the opportunity to earn both high school and college credit. SCC will be the fiscal agent for the consortium's Perkins funding.
- 3. has 28E agreements in place with 11 high schools for the offering of Tech-Prep/dual credit courses in 6 career program areas including Construction Technology, Health Occupations, Welding, Automotive Tech, Auto Body Repair, and Graphic Communications. Over 125 students are participating during the 2002 fiscal year.
- 4. has 127 course-to-course articulation agreements in place with high schools in the SCC District.
- 5. has cooperative agreements in place with all 13 local school districts for the offering of continuing education classes.
- 6. offers Postsecondary Enrollment Option courses to all area high school students over the ICN.

C.II. RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND ACCREDITED NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS

I. Northeast Iowa Community College:

- 1. has developed courses designed to provide technology skills for faculty and staff in nonpublic schools.
- 2. provides free ASSET testing to parochial students.
- 3. offers high school juniors and seniors from the nonpublic schools opportunities to enroll in postsecondary option classes.
- 4. has developed courses to provide technology skills for faculty and staff in nonpublic schools.
- 5. hosts several activities, which include nonpublic high school students. Example: speech contests, science project competition, and office education competition.

II. North Iowa Area Community College:

- 1. offers Postsecondary Enrollment Options courses in cooperation with Newman Catholic High School.
- 2. invites top students from every regional high school to participate each summer in an Entrepreneurial camp held on the NIACC campus.
- 3. makes available complimentary tickets to local school districts enabling their students to attend NIACC Leadership Series events (which have featured speakers such as Shimon Peres, Lech Walesa, and F.W. deKlerk).
- 4. makes available complimentary tickets to local school districts enabling their students to attend NIACC Performing Arts Series (which have featured performances such as Carmen).
- 5. makes available clinic and co-performing opportunities for local high school students with visiting performing artists including jazz clinics and Hamlisch.
- 6. provides access to services for home-schooled students and students attending private secondary institutions.

III. Iowa Lakes Community College:

- 1. provides free ASSET testing of eleventh grade students from Bishop-Garrigan. The ASSET as administered documents proficiency in math and reading skills.
- 2. offers dual credit math for General Education to students at Bishop-Garrigan High School. This course is taught by a qualified instructor who is employed by the nonpublic high school.

IV. Northwest Iowa Community College:

- 1. is a partner in cooperative offerings for Postsecondary Enrollment Options courses with Unity Spalding Catholic and Western Christian High Schools.
- 2. offers several vocational-technical courses for high school students. To date, students from two private high schools take advantage of these opportunities by enrolling in Allied Health, Auto Body, Machining or Welding.
- 3. makes information available regarding career education, financial aid, etc. to all students attending a private high school.
- 4. offers alternative high school services.
- 5. provides Entre-Prep program to private high school students.

V. Iowa Central Community College:

1. offers high school juniors and seniors from St. Mary's in Storm Lake and St. Edmonds in Fort Dodge an opportunity to enroll in Early Bird college courses and Postsecondary Enrollment Options courses.

VI. Iowa Valley Community College District:

1. offers GED and high school completion courses on a cooperative basis with the Sac and Fox Tribes of the Mississippi and the Meskwaki Settlement School.

VII. Hawkeye Community College:

- 1. offers a one-week course on an annual basis to teachers from both nonpublic schools. Topics include labor market trends and employment needs within the Area VII region.
- 2. provides training for school bus drivers employed by the nonpublic schools.
- 3. provides opportunities for high school juniors and seniors from the nonpublic schools to enroll in Postsecondary Enrollment Option courses.
- 4. is a partner in joint agreements that exist between the two nonpublic schools and Hawkeye for the articulation of secondary career education courses.
- 5. provides training opportunities to staff of nonpublic schools in the areas of school-to-career and career exploration.

IX. Eastern Iowa Community College District:

- 1. provides opportunities for Marquette High School students to enroll in Postsecondary Enrollment Options classes.
- 2. cooperates in the providing of college facilities for use by students of Mater Dei High School.

X. Kirkwood Community College:

- 1. has cooperative offerings for Postsecondary Enrollment Options courses with Xavier.
- 2. has a signed articulation agreement with Iowa Mennonite of Kalona.
- 3. participates in a jointly administered program for health careers with Xavier.
- 4. makes services of the Workplace Learning Connection available to students at Xavier, Regina, and Iowa Mennonite.
- 5. makes information available regarding career education, financial aid, etc. to all students attending private high schools.

- 6. includes nonpublic schools in all tech-prep and school-to-work consortium activities, including staff development, workshops, conferences, and meetings.
- 7. makes available to our nonpublic high school students all of the services of the college's Career Development Center.

XI. Des Moines Area Community College:

None Reported

XII. Western Iowa Tech Community College:

- 1. has sponsored League of Schools classes at Heelan High School and Remsen St. Mary's for many years.
- 2. has articulation agreements in place with Heelan High School.
- 3. provides an opportunity for Heelan High School students to enroll in Postsecondary Enrollment Options classes to participate in college activities.
- 4. sponsors prom activities at Heelan High School.
- 5. partner with area colleges to provide the WINGS Conference (Young Women Investigating Math and Science) for 7th and 8th grade females. The focus of the conference is to provide role models of women working in nontraditional careers which focus in math and science. Invite all area middle schools in Region XII and a 30-mile radius in Nebraska and South Dakota.

XIII. Iowa Western Community College:

- 1. administers the Select Senior Program offered to qualifying seniors of accredited nonpublic high schools.
- 2. has articulation agreements in place with nonpublic high schools.
- 3. conducts a Scholastic Arts program in Language and Fine Arts for students in accredited nonpublic high schools.

XIV. Southwestern Community College:

- 1. offers GED Preparatory classes and testing for Mennonite students and home-schooled students after they have completed the eighth grade.
- 2. makes available science labs for elementary students from St. Malachy in Creston.
- 3. makes it possible for the local Catholic elementary school to participate in nontraditional career conferences and use the SWCC auditorium for their winter program.
- 4. offers a career conference for 8th grade students from area schools.

XV. Indian Hills Community College:

1. has an active articulation agreement with Pella Christian High School.

XVI. Southeastern Community College:

- 1. has course articulation agreements with the following private K-12 systems:
 - a. Notre Dame
 - b. Marquette
 - c. Cardinal Stritch
 - d. Aquinas

C.III. RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OTHER ACCREDITED POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS IN IOWA

I. Northeast Iowa Community College:

- 1. has agreements with four private colleges in their merged area that provide a guaranteed transfer and admission contract offered to their students. This agreement guarantees junior status upon transfer. A statewide articulation agreement with the Regents institutions offers a similar guarantee.
- 2. participates in the LINC and CLIC leadership programs in cooperation with Iowa State University.
- 3. participates in an Industrial Technology Teacher Preparation program (2 + 2) with Upper Iowa University.
- 4. participates in a cooperative venture with Iowa State University to create the Northeast Iowa Community Based Dairy Foundation including the construction of a Center of Excellence for Value-Added Diary Education and Applied Research. [http://cowcam.nicc.edu]
- 5. is involved in a joint programming effort with Mt. Mercy College in the areas of Health Systems Technology and Health Administration.
- 6. is a partner with Iowa State University in the Center for Industrial Research and Service and the Iowa Manufacturing Extension Program.
- 7. provides space for recruitment and informational activities for several four-year colleges and universities.
- 8. is a participant with UNI in an articulation agreement in the area of Industrial Technology that provides NICC students with seamless transfer.
- 9. is a partner with the National Safety Council and business and industry in the establishment of the National Education Center for Agricultural Safety on the college's Peosta campus.
- 10. participates in a library-sharing consortia with the districts local private colleges.
- 11. has an agreement with the University of Dubuque providing for joint admission, student participation, and use of facilities for various activities.

12. is involved in a variety of arrangements with regional private colleges and universities for the providing of adjunct faculty.

II. North Iowa Area Community College:

- 1. maintains a listing of NIACC course offerings at Buena Vista University, Drake University, and the three Regents Universities. Buena Vista and the University of Iowa maintain full-time offices on campus to support their efforts.
- 2. participates in the LINC and CLIC leadership programs in cooperation with Iowa State University.
- 3. enjoys extensive and progressive relations with each of the Regents institutions and several private colleges and universities. The sign at the main entrance to the NIACC campus includes each of the institutions names, clearly marking the campus as the higher education center of the region.
- 4. participates in the statewide articulation agreement with the Regents institutions.

III. Iowa Lakes Community College:

- 1. has agreements (2 + 2) with Briar Cliff College and Buena Vista University that provide a guaranteed transfer admission contract to interested students.
- 2. is a partner in a cooperative agreement with Southwest Minnesota State University for the offering of SMSU's Master of Science in Education Program.
- 3. has a cooperative agreement with both Drake University and the University of Northern Iowa for the offering of Masters of Business Administration classes on the Iowa Lakes campus.
- 4. has arrangements with Iowa State University and Colorado State University for the offering of Doctor of Philosophy program classes on the Iowa Lakes campuses.
- 5. is one of seven public community colleges belonging to the Iowa Community College Online Consortium (ICCOC). The purpose of the ICCOC is to develop and deliver courses leading to an associate degree via the Internet. The student declares a "home college," which in turn

provides all support services and awards the degree. All courses are articulated among the member colleges, allowing students to enroll in any online course as a student of their "home college" regardless of which college partner delivers the instruction.

IV. Northwest Iowa Community College:

- 1. hosts an annual forum for community colleges and four-year colleges. Agenda topics include joint program offerings, articulation, etc.
- 2. participates in ISU LINC and CLIC leadership programs.
- 3. has 16 different contractual arrangements with four-year colleges and universities. Included are the following: eight private--eight public.
- 4. participates in the Great Teacher Workshop program coordinated by the University of Iowa.
- 5. has a 2 + 2 agreement with the University of Northern Iowa for six technical programs.
- 6. hosted a Masters' Degree in Training and Development through a cooperative agreement with Drake University.
- 7. has an articulation agreement with the University of Iowa allowing transfer of NCC credits to the University's Bachelor of Science in Nursing program.
- 8. has a 2 + 2 agreement with Briar Cliff University for business, accounting and human resource management.

V. Iowa Central Community College:

1. has general articulation agreements with the following four-year colleges. Articulation agreement is defined as either a written agreement for the associate degree(s) or a course-by-course comparison transfer arrangement.

> Briar Cliff College, Buena Vista University, Coe College, Drake University, Iowa State University, Luther College (in process), Mankato University, Northwest Missouri State, Palmer College of Chiropractic, University of Iowa, University of Nebraska at Kearney, University of Northern Iowa, University of South Dakota, Upper Iowa University, Simpson College, and Hami Hon College.

- 2. participates in a statewide articulation agreement with the Regents Universities that allows for up to 16 hours of voc-tech credit as elective credit for the AA degree.
- 3. offers a satellite program on the Iowa Central Fort Dodge campus with the University of Iowa, College of Nursing, in the RN-BSN progression program.
- 4. has the following cooperative program agreements in place with Buena Vista University:

In 1975 Buena Vista University established on the Iowa Central Fort Dodge campus its first off-campus degree-granting program. The first and second years are completed at Iowa Central and the final two years at Buena Vista.

- The students who attend the Storm Lake Center of Iowa Central have access to the library on the BVU campus.
- Iowa Central's nursing programs are housed on the BVU campus.
- 5. offers Fire Science programs in cooperation with Iowa State University.

VI. Iowa Valley Community College District:

- 1. rents space to and promotes course offerings for Buena Vista University. The University of Dubuque has a similar agreement limited to the Marshalltown Community College campus.
- 2. colleges have articulated degree programs with the Regent Universities.
- 3. hosts Iowa's Regent Universities for the offering of upper division courses on the Marshalltown Community College campus.
- 4. partners with UNI and ITOP (Iowa Training Opportunities Program) for business and industry training.
- 5. is working with the University of Iowa to develop a Dual Admission agreement.

VII. Hawkeye Community College:

1. has active articulation agreements in place with the Regents Universities, Wartburg College, and Upper Iowa University. Annual meetings are held to review and update these offerings.

- 2. is a partner in a cooperative relationship, designed to serve the needs of business and industry, with the Industrial Technology Department at the University of Northern Iowa.
- 3. has an agreement with the University of Northern Iowa and Wartburg College with a variety of arrangements for the providing of adjunct faculty to HCC.
- 4. is a founding member of Cedar Valley Consortium (University of Northern Iowa, Hawkeye Community College, Allen College, Cedar Falls Public Library, and Waterloo Public Library) to share library automation technology and its maintenance costs.
- 5. serves as the Waterloo Center site for Upper Iowa University classes. The agreement calls for Hawkeye Community College to teach all freshmansophomore level courses for Upper Iowa with articulation to Upper Iowa assured. The agreement includes full use of Hawkeye Community College student facilities, including academic support and library.

IX. Eastern Iowa Community College:

- 1. has a joint admissions agreement with the University of Iowa, St. Ambrose University, Trinity College of Nursing, the Palmer Chiropractic University, and Western Illinois University.
- 2. has articulation agreements in place with private colleges and universities within Eastern's merged area, the Regents Universities, and the Eastern Iowa Community College District.
- 3. shares the Kahl Center with the member institutions of the Quad-Cities Graduate Center (University of Iowa, University of Northern Iowa, Iowa State University, St. Ambrose University, Western Illinois University, and Northern Illinois University).
- 4. participates in a major library sharing consortia.
- 5. is a partner in the CASS program with Georgetown University.
- 6. provides facilities for use as an attendance center for the offering of MBA classes by St. Ambrose University.
- 7. cooperates with Iowa Wesleyan in the offering of junior and senior level classes for the baccalaureate degree on the Muscatine Community College Campus.

X. Kirkwood Community College:

- 1. is a partner with Mount Mercy College in the offering of an accelerated BS degree program in Applied Business. This program is designed for working adults. Mount Mercy accepts up to 75 Kirkwood credits toward the BS and charges students in this program a lower rate of tuition for these upper-division courses.
 - 2. has an agreement with Mount Mercy that provides students the opportunity to earn an Associate of Arts degree from Kirkwood and a Bachelor of Science degree from Mount Mercy. Students can specialize in either Nursing Home Administration or Interdisciplinary Health Services Administration.
 - 3. is a partner with Coe College in Kirkwood's Liberal Arts honors program. This agreement offers honors students the opportunity to take one of Coe's regularly scheduled credit classes, typically at the sophomore or junior level for no charge. To qualify for the honors program, Kirkwood students must have earned a minimum of 24 semester credit hours with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5.
 - 4. partners with Iowa State University to deliver electrical engineering courses to Rockwell International and Norand Corporation employees. Students graduating from Kirkwood with a two-year degree in preengineering may complete their BS through courses offered by Iowa State over the ICN. Lab work will be conducted by ISU faculty members on the Kirkwood campus.
 - 5. provides residents of the Cedar Rapids area an opportunity to pursue a Masters of Business Administration on the Kirkwood campus through courses offered by St. Ambrose University. Approximately ten classes are scheduled each semester during evening hours convenient for working adults.
 - 6. is an active partner in the Kellogg Foundation Vision 2020 project. This project involves working closely with Iowa State University as the lead institution on a variety of activities with the Czech and Slovak Republics.
 - 7. provides low-cost business and technical assistance to small businesses through the Small Business Development Center. The SBDC operates as a partnership with Iowa State University, the Iowa Department of Economic Development, and the U.S. Small Business Administration.
 - 8. cosponsors with the University of Iowa the MacBride Raptor Project that provides treatment and protection on an annual basis for over 150 injured birds of prey and also offers educational programs to the public.

- 9. partners with the Center for Industrial Research and Service with Iowa State University and Des Moines Area Community College.
- 10. has general articulation agreements in place with all three state universities and several private four-year institutions for a broad range of Arts and Sciences, Career Option, and Applied Science Degree programs.
- 11. has faculty exchange agreements in place with Bradford/Ickley College in England and Dalien University in Dalien, China.

XI. Des Moines Area Community College:

- 1. has general articulation agreements in place with all three state universities and 15 private four-year colleges and universities.
- 2. jointly offers 2 + 2 program with the University of Northern Iowa.
- 3. and Iowa State University offer students the opportunity of Dual Enrollment in a variety of subjects.
- 4. has developed a partnership with Iowa State University, Grand View College, and Drake University permitting students to cross enroll.
- 5. has articulation agreements in specific program areas with the following private colleges and universities:

Upper Iowa University: (various locations including Des Moines)	AA in General Business AA in Liberal Arts
Grand View College: (Des Moines)	AA in General Studies
Dordt College	AA in Agriculture
(Sioux Center)	AA in Data Processing
	AA in Secretarial Science
	AA in Special Education/Teacher's Aid
	AA in General Studies
(also some special	
individualized programs)
Mt. St. Clare College (Clinton, IA)	AA in Liberal Arts
Northwestern College (Orange City)	AA in Office Management

6. cooperates with ISU in the providing of training and instructor certification in the area of Lean Manufacturing.

XII. Western Iowa Tech Community College:

- 1. has included Morningside College as a partner in their newly funded Upward Bound Grant.
- 2. has general articulation agreements in place with all three state universities and four private four-year colleges and universities.
- 3. is hosting Buena Vista University satellite operations on the WITCC Denison campus. WITCC and BVU share office and classroom space in Le Mars and received a joint project grant to install ICN facilities in Le Mars. These BV programs offer area residents the opportunity to take junior and senior classes and ultimately complete BS degree requirements.
- 4. in cooperation with Bellevue University provides on-campus degree completion programs at WITCC in Sioux City.
- 5. shares a joint admissions counselor with Buena Vista University.
- 6. sponsors an Iowa State University Extension office on WITCC's main campus.
- 7. is a partner with Iowa State University in the offering of licensure courses for faculty.
- 8. has specified articulation agreements with the University of Northern Iowa permitting the transfer of nine different AAS degrees from vocational-technical programs.
- 9. participates in a library consortium which serves all WITCC campuses with shared resources of the Morningside, Briar Cliff, Sioux City Public, and the University of Iowa Medical Libraries.
- 10. has a special program with Morningside College (Morningside Bound) which provides many incentives for students to transfer to that college.
- 11. is a founding member of the Tri-State Graduate Center together with colleges and universities in Iowa, Nebraska, and South Dakota. The Center provides graduate and undergraduate opportunities.
- 12. has a joint program in social work with Briar Cliff College which permits students to be admitted to both Briar Cliff and WITCC simultaneously.

- 13. has partnered with Iowa Lakes Community College as Iowa Lakes has become a local CISCO Academy with WITCC as the Regional Academy.
- 14. has included Morningside College in an International Education Grant.
- 15. has formed an education subcommittee of WITCC, Briar Cliff College, Morningside College, Tri-State Graduate Center, and Sioux City Community Schools to explore and develop efforts in partnerships with the Sioux City Chamber of Commerce.

XIII. Iowa Western Community College:

- 1. sponsors Seamless Education Workshops for high school, college, and university faculty and administration in Calculus and Chemistry.
- 2. is partnering with Iowa State University, Kirkwood Community College, and Southeast Technical Institute in an NSF/ATE "Design for Manufacturability" grant.
- 3. participates in the LINC and CLIC leadership programs in cooperation with Iowa State University and Iowa community colleges.
- 4. is a partner with Georgetown University in the CASS program.
- 5. has general articulation agreements in effect with all three Iowa Regents Institutions; state universities in Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota, and nine private colleges and universities in Iowa and neighboring states. Iowa Western Community College also has cooperative agreements with Hiroshima College and Osaka College of Foreign Language in Japan.
- 6. partners with Buena Vista University in offering 2 + 2 programs in Information Technology and Systems Integration, Teacher Education, Business, and Criminal Justice.
- 7. and Southwestern Community College are working with the University of Iowa to offer BSN nursing courses in southwest Iowa.
- 8. and Creighton University collaborate in providing dental hygiene clinical sites at the Creighton School of Dentistry. Both institutions also have an articulation agreement allowing Dental Hygiene AAS graduates to complete their baccalaureate degree.
- 9. has a statewide articulation agreement for RN to BSN completion with all four-year institutions in Iowa including both public and private colleges and universities.

10. faculty participate in the Iowa Council of Teachers of English Language group.

XIV. Southwestern Community College:

- 1. has general articulation agreements in place with all three Iowa Regents Institutions.
- 2. together with Buena Vista University and Graceland University cooperatively offers courses leading to four-year degrees.
- 3. has been involved with two grant-writing partnerships with the ISU Agriculture Department.
- 4. has initiated dialogue with the University of Iowa College of Nursing to offer an articulated 4-year BSN program using distance-learning technology for SWCC nursing graduates.
- 5. has vocational/technical articulation agreements in place with the University of Northern Iowa.
- 6. is jointly applying for a grant with two other colleges to develop career portfolios.
- 7. is working with the University of Iowa and Iowa Western to develop a fully articulated BSN program in southwest Iowa.

XV. Indian Hills Community College:

- 1. has vocational articulation programs in place with Graceland University, University of Northern Iowa, William Penn University, Buena Vista University, Marycrest College, and Southern Illinois University. Cooperative four-year degree programs with Buena Vista in Early Childhood/Elementary Ed, Political Science/Criminal Justice, and Bachelor of Technology.
- 2. has general articulation agreements in place with all three Iowa Regents Institutions and seven private colleges and universities.
- 3. has a joint National Science Foundation grant activity in virtual Reality/Bioprocessing Training with Iowa State University.

XVI. Southeastern Community College:

- 1. has general articulation agreements in place with all three Iowa Regents Institutions and five private colleges and universities. The private colleges are Iowa Wesleyan, Buena Vista, Palmer, Culver Stockton, and Drake University.
- 2. participates in dual articulation agreements with the University of Iowa, Iowa Wesleyan College, and Western Illinois University.
- 3. has vocational-technical articulation agreements in place with Iowa State University, University of Northern Iowa, and Western Illinois University.
- 4. has business career option articulation agreements in place with Northwest Missouri State University.
- 5. has early childhood development classes articulation agreement in place with Iowa Wesleyan College.
- 6. articulation agreements are in place with several out-of-state colleges and universities including Monmouth College (IL), Southern Illinois University, University of Illinois, and the University of Missouri.

C.IV. RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The Legislative and Executive Branches of the Iowa State Government have identified in broad terms the relationship between the state's fifteen community colleges and the Iowa State Board of Education. These relationships are outlined below in the Iowa Code, Sections 260C.3, 4, 5, and 6.

260C.3 State board for community colleges.

The state board of education shall constitute the state board for community colleges.

90 Acts, ch 1253, §33 C91, §280A.22A C93, §260C.22A C95, §260C.3

260C.4 Duties of state board

The state board for community colleges shall:

- 1. Adopt and establish policies for programs and services of the department which relate to community colleges.
- 2. Prescribe standards and procedures for the approval of practitioner preparation programs and professional development programs under section 256.7, subsection 3.
- 3. Review and make recommendations that relate to community colleges in the five-year plan for the achievement of educational goals.

90 Acts, ch 1253, §34
90 Acts, ch 1253, §34
C91, §280A.22B
C93, §260C.22B
93 Acts, ch 82, §2
C95, §260C.4
96 Acts, ch 1215, §25
Subsection 4 stricken by its own terms effective June 30, 1998; 93 Acts, ch 82, §2; 96 Acts, ch 1215, §25

260C.5 Duties of director.

The director shall:

- 1. Designate a community college as an "*area vocational education school*" within the meaning of, and for the purpose of administering, the Act of Congress designated the "*Vocational Education Act of 1963*". A community college shall not be so designated by the director of the department of education for the expenditure of funds under 20 U.S.C. §35c(a)(5), which has not been designated and classified as a community college by the state board.
- 2. Change boundaries of director districts in a merged area when the board fails to change boundaries as required by law.
- 3. Make changes in boundaries of merged areas with the approval of the board of directors of each merged area affected by the change. When the boundaries of

a merged area are changed, the director of the department of education may authorize the board of directors of the merged area to levy additional taxes upon the property within the merged area, or any part of the merged area, and distribute the taxes so that all parts of the merged area are paying their share toward the support of the college.

- 4. Administer, allocate, and disburse federal or state funds made available to pay a portion of the cost of acquiring sites for and constructing, acquiring, or remodeling facilities for community colleges, and establish priorities for the use of such funds.
- 5. Administer, allocate, and disburse federal or state funds available to pay a portion of the operating costs of community colleges.
- 6. Approve or disapprove, in a manner as the director of the department of education may prescribe, sites and buildings to be acquired, erected, or remodeled for use by community colleges.
- 7. Propose administrative rules to carry out this chapter subject to approval of the state board.
- 8. Enter into contracts with local school boards within the area that have and maintain a technical or vocational high school and with private schools or colleges in the cooperative or merged areas to provide courses or programs of study in addition to or as a part of the curriculum made available in the community college.
- 9. Make arrangements with boards of merged areas and local school districts to permit students attending high school to participate in vocational-technical programs and advanced college placement courses and obtain credit for such participation for application toward the completion of a high school diploma. The granting of credit is subject to the approval of the director of the department of education.
- 10. Prescribe a uniform system of accounting for community colleges.
- 11. Ensure that community colleges that provide intercollegiate athletics as a part of their program comply with section 216.9.
 [C66.71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §280A.25; 82 Acts, ch 1136, §11]
 85 Acts, ch 212, §12; 86 Acts, ch 1245, §1470; 87 Acts, ch 115, §41; 87 Acts, ch 224, §57, 58; 90 Acts, ch 1253, §36
 C93, §260C.25
 93 Acts, ch 82, §4
 C95, §260C.5

260C.6 Community colleges division in department.

A community colleges division shall be established within the department of education. The division shall exercise the powers and perform the duties conferred by law upon the department with respect to community colleges.

[C66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §280A.27] 90 Acts, ch 1253, §37 C93, §260C.27 C95, §260C.6 The Department of Education and the state's community colleges participate in a myriad of joint activities that occur as the result of relationships identified in the sections of the Iowa Code reprinted above and in the previous two pages.

- 1. Prior to offering a new credit based educational program, community colleges must go through the Department of Education's program approval process.
- 2. Community colleges submit required reports to the Department of Education. These reports relate to enrollment, tuition, fees, and a variety of other areas.
- 3. Staff from community colleges participate on Department of Education accreditation teams.
- 4. The Department of Education provides coordination and facilitation in the delivery of educational programs such as Driving Under the Influence, Mine Safety Training, Moped and Motorcycle Safety, and Children in the Middle.
- 5. Personnel from the Department of Education meet with community college staff and provide in-service in areas such as Women's Works Program.
- 6. The Department of Education provides coordination, leadership, and funding for ABE, GED, and ESL classes.
- 7. The Department of Education determines the allocation between the K-12 school districts and community colleges for the distribution of Federal Perkins Funds.
- 8. Representatives from the Department of Education participate in business meetings held by various community college interest groups such as Presidents, Business Managers, Student Service Deans, Chief Academic Officers, etc.
- 9. The State Director approves or disapproves sites and buildings to be acquired, erected, or remodeled for use by community colleges.
- 10. The State Board of Education / Director have final oversight approval for the operating budget of each community college.
- 11. The Department of Education provides GED scoring software and writing skills essay scoring.

- 12. The Department of Education has developed curriculum and also provides teaching expertise in train-the-trainer activities for Nurse Aid, Medication Aide, and Long-Term Care Supervisory courses.
- 13. The Department of Education serves as a clearinghouse for Driving Under the Influence Program curriculum selection, group materials, and equipment purchasing.
- 14. Staff from the Department of Education provide consultative services / information in the following areas:
 - A. Perkins Grants
 - B. New Program Development and Revision
 - C. Licensure Requirements
 - D. Vocational / Technical Technology Fund
 - E. Statistical Data developed through the use of the MIS.
- 15. ABE State Staff Development Committee provides in-service training for Adult Basic Education instructors.
- 16. The Department of Education staff conducts research and studies of various community college educational programs regarding their effectiveness.
- 17. The Department of Education is a partner with North Iowa Area Community College in hosting the annual Iowa Tech-Prep Conference in Des Moines each spring.
- 18. The Department of Education is a partner with the Iowa Association of Community College Trustees / Presidents in maintaining a working relationship with the various deans and directors groups from the various community colleges. Example: Chief Academic Officers
- 19. The Sign Language Interpreting program at Iowa Western Community College works closely with the Consultant, Hearing Impaired Education/Instructional Services and Educational Interpreters.

The above listing is not intended to be complete. It does provide an overview of the many important activities conducted by the Department of Education and the State Director that impact our state's fifteen community colleges.