



October 2025 Workforce & Economic Development Division Program Updates

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❖ Workforce & Economic Development Division Announcements

- Release of the Regional Collaboration and Coordination Grant Application on **October 15, 2025**, and a related pre-session with Chancellor's Office staff at the CCCAOE conference **Wednesday, October 22 at 8:00 am**.
- **Staffing Update:** Erin Larson, former Dean in WEDD, has transitioned to a new position as Assistant Vice Chancellor, Strategic Educational and Workforce Initiatives.

❖ California Adult Education Program (CAEP)

- **October 2025**
 - 2025-26 Member Program Year Budget and Work Plan certified by Consortia in NOVA
- **November 2025**
 - **11/14/2025:** Written Expenditure Plan (WEP) deadline. Applies to consortia who have exceeded 20% carryover.
- **December 2025**
 - **12/1/2025:** 2025-26 Member Expense Report due in NOVA (Q1).
 - **12/1/2025:** July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, Instructional Hours and Expenses by Program Area due (actuals) in NOVA and certified by Consortium.
 - **12/31/2025:** 2025-26 Member Expense Report certified by Consortia in NOVA (Q1).
 - **12/31/2025:** End of Q2.
- **English Language Learner (ELL) Healthcare Pathways**
 - Final Report for Round One funding cycle is now available in NOVA. In light of the delayed publication of this final report, the Chancellor's Office has extended the deadline for Round One Final Report from **September 30, 2025**, to **Friday, October 31, 2025 by 5:00 pm**.

- Please note that this deadline applies to Round One plans that did not request a 12-month extension and are set to close the project. The Final report is cumulative to wrap up the entirety of Round One and has questions for both Consortia and participating Members. Final reports can be submitted in [NOVA](#) in the ELL Healthcare Pathways program under [Fiscal Reporting](#).
- Deadlines for ELL Healthcare Pathways can be found on the [Chancellor's Office CAEP webpage](#) under the ELL Healthcare Pathways accordion.
- **Please address any questions to caep@cccco.edu.**

❖ **California Apprenticeship Initiative (CAI)**

- The Foundation for California Community Colleges has contracted with the CCCCO to provide technical assistance to all grantees effective immediately. Please contact apprenticeshipsupportnetwork@foundationccc.org for more information on how to access assistance.
- The LAUNCH Apprenticeship Network is now contracted to support apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs with areas related to employer engagement, program sponsorship, and more. Please contact justin@launchapprenticeship.org to learn more.
- Beginning in August, the Apprenticeship Team will continue to meet twice monthly on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays from 2:00 – 3:00 PM. Each focused session will provide a short overview of the topic, cover frequently asked questions, and open the floor for participant Q&A. General sessions remain open for any apprenticeship-related questions or technical assistance.
 - **10/14/2025:** General Session
 - **10/28/2025:** General Session
 - **11/11/2025:** No Session (Veterans Day)
 - **12/9/2025:** Focused: Employer Engagement
 - **12/23/2025:** General Session
- Apprenticeship toolkits are now available in the resources section of [our webpage](#).
- The RSI FY 2024-25 ReCalc report is due in NOVA with Chief Business Officer certification no later than 11/1/25. Late submissions will not be accepted, which may impact funding.
- **Please address any questions to apprenticeship@cccco.edu.**

❖ **Economic and Workforce Development (EWD)**

The Industry-Driven Regional Collaboration (IDRC) Grant facesheets are currently progressing through the Chancellor's Office internal approval process and are expected to be delivered to the field within the next 2–3 weeks.

Recognizing that colleges and districts must present facesheets to their Boards for approval, staff will be emailing awardees *draft versions* of the facesheet and scope of work. These draft facesheets **do not need to be signed or returned to the Chancellor's Office**, as they are provided solely for use in your local Board approval process to reflect an *intent to award*.

Districts may begin incurring allowable expenses, including salary and benefits, aligned with their approved project budgets. However, please note that funds cannot be disbursed until the facesheet is fully executed. This means your college or district will need to frontload costs temporarily and then request reimbursement once all approvals are complete. Funding is secure, and the paperwork is actively moving through the state's internal approval process.

Additionally, staff will be contacting districts to verify or update contact information for the designated Project Director overseeing the IDRC project at your campus. Please note that if a college or district submitted two proposals listing the same individual as Project Director for both awards, a new Project Director must be designated for one of the projects, as one individual cannot oversee both grants.

Please reach out to the EWD staff, Katie Gilks at kgilks@cccco.edu or Abigail Singleton at asingleton@cccco.edu should you have any questions.

Employer Engagement:

- The final narrative questions have been added into NOVA for both Perkins V and Employer Engagement (EWD) within the Quarter 4 respective reporting sections. With this update, the Quarter 4 fiscal, narrative, and invoicing due date have been extended to allow responses by **Tuesday, September 30, 2025**.
- After fiscal reporting and invoicing is complete, RCs will confirm all Employer Engagement balances to re-allocate for the 2025-26 fiscal year **by Friday, October 3, 2025**. **This task is past due. Please work with Katie Gilks at kgilks@cccco.edu if there is a delay with invoicing.**
- As a friendly reminder, **all fiscal reporting and invoices must be submitted** as the reallocation process does not allow individual plans to be opened.
- Employer Engagement invoice template was emailed to the Regional Chairs to complete for advance payment. Please contact Abigail Singleton at asingleton@cccco.edu if you have any questions re: completion of the advance payment template.
 - **Please address any questions to Katie Gilks at kgilks@cccco.edu.**

❖ High Road Construction Careers (HRCC) Partnerships Grants

- **Announcements**
 - The window for student-level data submittal will open on **November 3, 2025**.
- **Upcoming Dates**
 - **10/31/25**: NOVA report for 2025-26 Q1 for **Round 1** grantees due.
 - **12/5/25**: Student-level data submittal due for all program participants from the beginning of the grant through the Fall 2025 term.
- **Please address any questions to Jen Carnine at jcarnine@cccco.edu.**

❖ Strong Workforce Program (SWP)

- Unit Dean position is currently vacant.
- **2025-26 Allocation**
 - Allocation memo was released on 7/24. It has been added to the [WEDD Memos](#) website.
 - Regional/Local project plans to allocate all funds are due in NOVA by **October 31, 2025**.
 - Regional Monitor review/approval is due **December 1, 2025**.
 - FY 2025-26 apportionment was certified for the [Advance Apportionment \(AD\) cycle](#) beginning in September
- Unallocated and unspent balances are reported to the Legislative Analyst Office and Department of Finance as requested. Please ensure all fiscal reporting is up to date in NOVA.
- **Please address any questions to strongworkforcehelpdesk@cccco.edu**

❖ K12 Strong Workforce Program (SWP)

- Unit Dean Position is currently vacant.
- **FY 2025-26 RFA** was released on August 18, 2025.
 - K12 Selection Committees review period concludes on November 20, 2025
 - K12 SWP preliminary awards announced by Regional Consortia on November 21, 2025.
 - Round 8 Appeals due to SWP Regional Consortia by December 12, 2025.
 - Regional Consortia release Intent to Award to LEAs by December 19, 2025.
 - K12 SWP project term begins on January 1, 2026.
 - K12 SWP project term ends on June 30, 2028.

- **FY 2025-26 RFA Allocation Update**

- The K12 SWP team was informed that the initial ADA data file received to calculate the K12 SWP FY25-26 allocation contained errors. An updated ADA data file was provided, and the allocation was recalculated. Below are the updated calculations for the K12 SWP FY25-26 allocation:

Region	25-26 Revised Allocation
Bay Area	\$ 28,288,270
Central Valley	\$ 21,929,001
Inland Empire & Desert	\$ 20,188,189
Los Angeles	\$ 24,172,834
Orange County	\$ 11,287,050
North Far North	\$ 20,518,295
San Diego & Imperial	\$ 13,849,851
South Central	\$ 9,766,509
TOTAL	\$ 150,000,000

- Please address any questions to k12swp@cccco.edu.

❖ **Nursing and Allied Health**

- **Allied Health**
 - No updates at this time.
- **Nursing: Enrollment Growth and Retention**
 - FY 2023-25 Temporary Employment of Nursing Faculty Legislative update
 - [Link to copy of report.](#)
- Please address any questions to nursingapps@cccco.edu.

❖ **Perkins V**

- **FY 2024-25 Final reporting is past due.** Pending districts must submit their final reporting prior to their Quarter 1 Fiscal Report.
- FY 2025-26 Quarter 1 Due Wednesday, October 15th. Please reach out to your [regional monitor](#) to share any questions and/or concerns regarding meeting this date.
- **Methods of Administration (MOA):** The 2025 MOA Review is still underway.
- The Perkins Team will be conducting a CCCAOE pre-conference session (Data Quality Institute) on Tuesday, October 21, 2025 from 3:15 PM - 5:15 PM. [RSVP HERE](#)

Regional Collaboration and Coordination: Field Learnings and Upcoming Regional Consortia Request for Application (RFA) CCCAEO Pre-Conference:

This session will share regional collaboration best practices, based on regional convenings and field interviews, and introduce the upcoming Regional Consortia RFA, anticipated for release in mid-October. [RSVP HERE](#)

- Please address any questions to perkinssupport@cccco.edu

❖ Regional Equity and Recovery Partnerships (RERP)

- **Announcements**
 - 2024-25 Q4 fiscal reports (in NOVA) and 6th milestone invoices were due on **July 18, 2025**. Please ensure any outstanding reports are submitted, as the grant ended on **September 30, 2025**.
- **Upcoming Dates:**
 - **10/31/25:** Final NOVA report, final student-level data collection, and final invoices due.
- Please address any questions to Jen Carnine at jcarnine@cccco.edu.