



Fact Sheet

Colorado Community College System: Colorado's largest higher education system.
Dr. Nancy J. McCallin, President

CCCS Statutory Mission:

- ▶ **Open access** – we admit anyone who wants to go to college.
- ▶ **Career and Technical Education (CTE)** – In 2007, approximately 8,000 CTE certificates and degrees were awarded to postsecondary students at the 13 system colleges. The total number of secondary students enrolled in high school CTE programs topped 85,000.
- ▶ **Transfer** to four-year colleges and universities – more than 5,000 students each year
- ▶ **Basic Skills** – 10% of our full-time-equivalent students. One million adults have no post secondary training in Colorado.
- ▶ **Workforce Development** – As of AY 2006, more than 117,000 Colorado workers have been trained through our programs. Community Colleges train more than half of the state's nurses and more than 90 percent of the first responders.

CCCS Student Information:

- ▶ CCCS serves more than 107,000 students annually through 13 colleges. In addition, we train more than 11,000 workers each year through various other programs, making it the largest higher education system in the state.
- ▶ CCCS full-time-equivalent student enrollment is 43,446 in FY 2006/07. In 2007, community colleges educated 32 percent of the resident undergraduates in public institutions in Colorado.
- ▶ Community colleges serve 48 percent of all minority students in Higher Education in Colorado.
- ▶ 31% of our students are minorities.
- ▶ 59% of our students are female.
- ▶ 54% of our students are under 25 years old.
- ▶ 94% of our students are Colorado residents.

Tuition:

- ▶ Tuition at Community Colleges is \$2,315 for a full-time student. Fees are in addition to the tuition and will vary by college.

Graduation and Retention Rates:

- ▶ Colorado's two-year institution graduation rate ranks 8th in the nation, up from a rank of 23rd in the nation two years ago.

CCCS Funding:

State General Fund support for community colleges went from \$3,565 per student FTE in FY 2001-02 to \$2,306 in FY 2004-05. Referendum C funding allowed this amount to increase to an estimated \$3,236 in FY 2007-08.

State General Funds (FY 2007-08)

Colorado Vocational Act	\$21,208,319*
Industry Training	2,725,022
Career & Technical Education	900,000
Fee for Service Contract	28,288,336
COF Stipend	104,020,530

Other Revenue Sources:

Carl Perkins Grant (Federal)	17,277,531
Tuition	125,839,970
Academic Fees & Academic Facility Fees	5,618,026
TOTAL	\$284,669,415

* Note: These funds are passed on to the K-12 school districts.

Financial Aid:

- ▶ Community College Students received \$137.4 million in state and federal financial aid in FY 2006-07.
- ▶ State financial aid totaled \$21.4 million, while federal financial aid comprised \$116 million in FY 2006/07.
- ▶ Nearly half of CCCS students qualify for federal financial aid.
- ▶ Colorado Community Colleges have the highest share (37%) of the state's higher education students eligible for federal financial aid.

CCCS Colleges:

- ▶ Arapahoe Community College, Dr. Berton L. Glandon, President
- ▶ Colorado Northwestern Community College, John Boyd, President
- ▶ Community College of Aurora, Dr. Linda Bowman, President
- ▶ Community College of Denver, Dr. Karén Clos Bleeker, President
- ▶ Front Range Community College, Karen Reinertson, President
- ▶ Lamar Community College, Dr. David Smith, Chief Administrative Officer, Jim Rizzuto, President
- ▶ Morgan Community College, Susan Clough, Interim Chief Administrative Officer
- ▶ Northeastern Junior College, Dr. Lance Bolton, President
- ▶ Otero Junior College, Jim Rizzuto, President
- ▶ Pueblo Community College, Dr. John Garvin, President
- ▶ Pikes Peak Community College, Dr. Tony Kinkel, President
- ▶ Red Rocks Community College, Dr. Michele Haney, President
- ▶ Trinidad State Junior College, Ruth Ann Woods, President