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Texas CWRC pilot launches

Last week ACT at the Texas Economic Development Council meeting in San Antonio, ACT announced a Texas CWRC approach that is driven by local counties and regions across the state. Gregg, Bowie, Lamar and Midland Counties have applied -- several on behalf of their regions -- into the Texas CWRC Academy. ACT is still reviewing applications from additional Texas counties; more announcements to follow. The Texas CWRC initiative officially kicks off December 3-4, 2013 in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. Please contact Fred McConnel at frederick.mcconnel@act.org for more information about the Texas CWRC pilot.

Sixteen counties accepted into local CWRC pilot program

Sixteen counties across seven states have been accepted into local ACT CWRC pilot programs. Congratulations to Santa Cruz, San Denito, San Luis and Monterey Counties in California; Delaware, Rush, Randolph and Wayne Counties in Indiana; McLean County in Illinois; Cherokee and Labette Counties in Kansas; Avoyelles and Rapides Parishes in Louisiana; Stutsman County in North Dakota; and Lucas and Preble Counties in Ohio! We are very excited about growing this local county CWRC approach. Please contact Tony Garife at tony.garife@act.org for more information about future opportunities to join the county-level pilot.

New employer functionality on CWRC website

We have added a new **employer page** to the CWRC website full of helpful information for employers. Visit the page to download case studies, occupational profiles as well as marketing resources for employers. Feel free to let us know if there's anything else you'd like to see added to this new section.

September NCRC data posted

We have updated the **CWRC website** with county-level National Career Readiness Certificate data through Sept. 30 -- bringing the grand total to 2.3 million NCRCs. We publish the NCRC data at the state and county level to provide information to help policy makers and economic developers develop their workforce. Please feel free to contact us should you have any questions. The top participating counties in terms of progress towards the common criteria goals are as follows:

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