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Webinar June 25, 2015









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About the ARCC

- The Appalachia Regional Comprehensive Center—the ARCC
 - Our mission is to design *initiatives* in partnership with each of these states—*initiatives* that will improve educational outcomes for students, close achievement gaps, and enhance instructional quality.
 - A key are is implementing college- and career-ready standards and aligned, high-quality assessments for all students.
 - Today marks the launch of our webinar series on CTE in partnership with NASDCTEc.









About the NASDCTEC



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The Big Picture

- Why Simulated Workplace was created
- Taking bold steps
- Engaging business and higher education partners
- Identifying the Simulated Workplace Protocols











In the Beginning



• What are our goals?

- Four years for implementation
- What will success look like?
 - Future planning and design (corporations)
- How will we get there?
 - Getting buy-in from key stakeholders
 - Pilots









Purpose of Simulated Workplace

- Increase student leadership and engagement
- Help instructors transition to facilitators
- Initiate school-wide cultural change











What Simulated Workplace **IS** and **IS NOT** ...

IS...

- A culture change
- Student-led environment
- An opportunity for students to be accountable for their own learning
- An opportunity for instructors to creatively, flexibly deliver an engaging curriculum
- High-level academic/technical learning

IS NOT...

- A <u>curriculum</u>
- Traditional CTE (instructor-led) environments
- More work for the instructor
- A rigid, prescribed instructional model
- 1970s vocational education delivery









Engaging Key Stakeholders

- Engaging employers from the start
- Establishing a climate for change
- Feedback from instructors, but most of all <u>STUDENTS</u>





12 PROTOCOLS

In West Virginia, this is how CTE is doing business! WV State Policy 2520.13









12 PROCOTOLS

- 1. <u>Transform traditional classroom</u> into a company
- 2. Utilize time clocks or some form of formal attendance report
- 3. Random drug testing
- 4. Application and interview
- 5. Develop company name and procedure manual

- 6. Safety training
- 7. Company meetings
- 8. Company data reports
- 9. Organizational chart
- 10. 55 quality improvement principles
- 11. Business inspections
- 12. Portfolios









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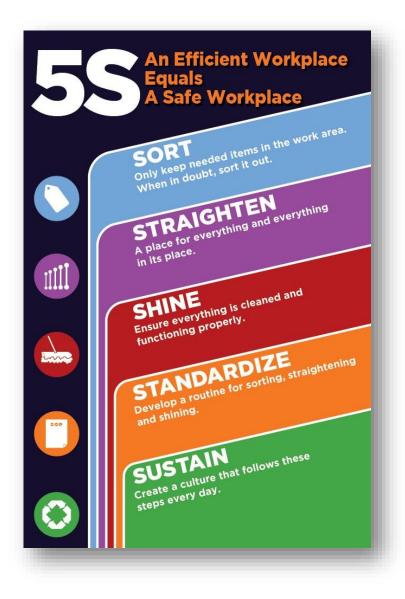






PROTOCOL #10

10. 55 Quality Improvement Principles











PROTOCOLS #11 AND 12

11. Business inspections

12. Portfolios













Student Spotlight



Austin Coffey

Industrial Equipment Maintenance Career-Technical Program









Data and Student Outcomes

- Student surveys report a 96% approval rate for Simulated Workplace
- Attendance rates have improved in programs using this environment
- Approximately 99% of students randomly tested are passing the drug test
- Business/industry overwhelming approve of the simulated workplace concept
- Instructors who openly disagreed with Simulated Workplace have changed their position and are now its strongest advocates
- We started with 80 classroom pilots—this fall there will be 501 classrooms









Lessons Learned

- <u>Create</u> high-quality change by moving at a thoughtful pace
- <u>Be</u> selective in what you expect from teachers during implementation
- <u>Transition</u> to a facilitator model through additional support

 Model schools and in-school coaches
- <u>Allow</u> students to rise to the challenge and achieve at a much higher level than is required
- *Partner* with employers to affect change









Ultimate Vision

- <u>All</u> career-technical centers will become corporations and the various Simulated Workplace companies will make up the corporation.
- Quarterly meetings will be held with the CTE director and the CEOs (a.k.a. students) of the respective companies to discuss education attainment and issues.

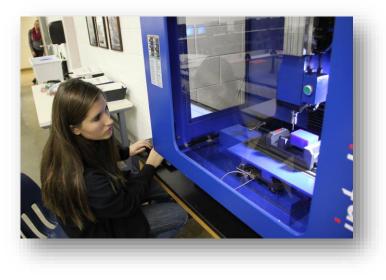












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