TO: Superintendents, Secondary School Districts  
Presidents of New Jersey County Colleges

FROM: Marie Barry, Director  
Office of Career and Technical Education

SUBJECT: May 20, 2014 Career and Technical Education Statewide Institute

The Office of Career and Technical Education (CTE) extends an invitation to teachers, supervisors, school administrators and school counselors interested in the successful transition of students to postsecondary education and careers to participate in a professional development institute on current and important topics in career and technical education in New Jersey and nationwide.

The institute will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2014 at The College of New Jersey, 2000 Pennington Road, Ewing, NJ from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., with onsite registration beginning at 7:30 a.m. in the Brower Student Center. There is no registration fee, and a box lunch will be provided at no cost to attendees.

The design of this institute is intended to immerse educators in specific topics that are key to ensuring that CTE programs are connecting to workforce needs and preparing students to be college and career ready. With that in mind, conference breakout sessions will include:

Full day sessions on critical New Jersey CTE topics:
- Personal Financial Literacy Boot Camp
- Student Growth Objectives (SGO 2.0) for CTE
- Postsecondary Perkins and CTE for teams from community colleges
- Cosmetology Program Updates provided by the NJ State Board of Cosmetology and Hairstyling

Half day sessions will focus on building the knowledge and skills of participants in areas such as:
- NJ's Key Industry Sectors and Talent Networks (Advanced Manufacturing, Entrepreneurship, Financial Services, Developing A CTE Safety and Health Plan, Hospitality & Tourism, Life Sciences, and Transportation, Logistics & Distribution)
- Model Programs of Study in Global Logistics, Marketing, and more
- CTE Standards Revision using the Common Career Technical Core & Career Ready Practices
- Implementing quality CTE programs in Comprehensive High Schools
- NJ Career Assistance Navigator (NJCAN)
- Integrative STEM
- Building CTE Data Literacy
- Community-based Instruction and Transition for Students with Disabilities
Prospective attendees should register electronically by visiting the NJDOE website registration at:
http://education.state.nj.us/cte/

If you have questions or comments, please contact Maria Constantin, planning associate, at 609-984-2599 or by email at maria.constantin@doe.state.nj.us. We look forward to welcoming you at The College of New Jersey on May 20.