

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Between

The Following **Area Vocational Schools (collectively, “AVS”)**:

**Emily Griffith Technical College
Delta-Montrose Technical College
Pickens Technical College**

And

The State of Colorado, Department of Higher Education, by and through
the State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education,
for the use and benefit of the
Colorado Community College System (“CCCS”)

I. PURPOSE

This articulation agreement (“Agreement”) is in accordance with C.R.S. § 23-60-802, Colorado Department of Higher Education (“CCHE”) Policy 8.06, CCCS Board Policy 9-72, and CCCS System President’s Procedure 9-72. The purpose of this Agreement is to establish procedures and guidelines for students who have earned career and technical education post-secondary credits and certificates from the Area Vocational Schools or Technical Colleges first listed above to enroll in and transfer credits to a CCCS College’s Associate of Applied Science (“AAS”) degree program in Applied Technology. Such students can earn their AAS in Applied Technology by completing 15-18 additional credit hours of general education courses at a CCCS College. The Parties will also collaborate to offer AAS degrees that include Career and Technical Education (“CTE”) coursework from the AVS and general education courses from the CCCS.

II. ELEMENTS OF THE AGREEMENT

A. Admission to CCCS

1. Students who have completed post-secondary credits and certificates from AVS may apply for and be reviewed as applicants for a CCCS College’s AAS Applied Technology program. Applicants will be required to complete all CCCS admission requirements at the time of application. CCCS admission requirements are detailed in its most recent Academic Catalog.
2. Upon admission and signing of the CCCS enrollment agreement, the transfer students will be considered CCCS students and will be subject to all CCCS policies, codes of conduct, college procedures, and requirements.

B. Credit Transferability

1. Students who have completed post-secondary credits and certificates from AVS will be eligible for transfer of those credits to satisfy equivalent course requirements in a CCCS AAS Applied Technology Degree program.
 - a. Students who complete the CTE coursework contained in a state-approved career and technical education program at AVS can take additional academic courses at CCCS and earn an AAS Degree in Applied Technology. In addition, some individual courses may be approved for transfer on a course-by-course basis and applied to selected degrees. Credit for prior learning may also be considered. A minimum of 15 credits within the program of study must be earned at CCCS for the AAS degree. Students must have received a grade of C or better in the course being considered for

transfer. Coursework older than 10 years will not automatically transfer into CCCS. Refer questions about the transfer of individual courses to the Program Advisor.

- b. CCCS will perform a transfer credit evaluation only after the student has been admitted to CCCS, declared a program of study, and submitted official transcripts from their prior school(s). Students are responsible for requesting official transcripts from AVS.
- c. All AVS courses will utilize Colorado's Community College Common Courses (Common Course Numbering System – CCNS) and match the CCCS Applied Technology AAS degree program.

C. Coordination

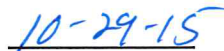
- 1. CCCS and AVS agree to:
 - a. Coordinate their efforts to facilitate a collegial and mutually beneficial relationship;
 - b. Provide accurate and timely information about the relationship to students, alumni, or employees of the institutions, and;
 - c. Designate an appropriate representative as the primary contact person(s) for the respective institutions to facilitate coordination of this Agreement.
- 2. CCCS agrees to:
 - a. Provide relevant transfer information and electronic versions of current CCCS brochures and/or academic catalogs.

III. Term

- A. This Agreement is effective the date on which the last signatory has signed his or her name or on the first day of the next CCCS academic term, whichever shall occur later.
- B. This Agreement may be terminated by any Party upon 180 days prior written notice.
- C. The Agreement may be terminated by any Party immediately in the event that participation under the Agreement may give rise to a violation of any requirement of federal or state law or regulation or the requirements of any accrediting agency having jurisdiction.
- D. This Agreement shall remain in effect and shall automatically renew, until terminated.
- E. This Agreement may only be amended in writing signed by all the Parties hereto.
- F. This Agreement may be executed by either electronic or facsimile transmission in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original.



Dr. Nancy McCallin
President
Colorado Community College System



Date