

RCTC Report

May 2005

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- Term V began on May 16th. Only five courses are running and they complete by the end of June. These include Medical Terminology, Medical Transcription, MS Office, Small Engine Rebuild, and Welding. Our PA State Inspection class, offered each month, will continue to be held in July and August.
- We're very close to having a custodial curriculum in place for the PA Reentry program. We may be able to begin the class this summer if there are interested students.
- We have been invited to participate in the Education Fair at the Perseus House Charter School on May 25th.
- Planning and preparation for 2005-06 will be taking place over the next couple months. Review of course descriptions, offerings, scheduling, recruitment and advertising tools, cost-effectiveness, and instructor availability will be some of the details inspected.

New Choices/New Options

- A new group of nine participants began the program on May 16th. Several member of this group signed up for the program at the Erie CareerLink Job Fair on May 4th. This will be our final class for this fiscal year. We are once again holding the class at Bethany Lutheran Church in downtown Erie due to participant's lack of transportation.
- PDE is holding an in-service for project directors June 1 -3 at Seven Springs.
- Staff recently attended the Erie School District's year-end advisory board meeting of the Pregnant and Parenting Teen program. We provide career exploration activities to this group during the year. We will also be providing a summer program for graduating seniors to assist in their transition to the workplace.
- The full Senate will begin budget deliberations later this month. Funding for New Choices / New Options has been part of the State Budget for the past several years. We have strong support in both houses and hope to remain at level funding. However, the budget process is not expected to be completed before the end of June.