

RCTC Report
August 2008

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Classes Our first term for the new school year begins the week of September 1. Course offerings were advertised in the Erie Times-News' Sunday classified section and Showcase; Penny Saver; local community newspapers; Manufacturer's & Business Association and Erie Chamber magazines. In addition, our annual mailer was sent to about 3,000 local businesses.

Class registration began August 11; the basic welding class was filled by 11:00 AM the first day.

Approved Training Provider Four of our programs have been approved through the federal Workforce Investment Act for 2008-09. These four are certified for TAA/WIA funding for eligible students. The programs are: Automotive Technologies, Certified Medical Office Assistant, HVAC, and Welding.

Also, we have had two students approved for funding through the Department of Veteran Affairs.

Career Fair Erie's Career Fair was held at the Bayfront Convention Center on August 14. Over 100 exhibitors were in attendance and we displayed information about RCTC and the New Choices/New Options program. There was a steady stream of visitors throughout the day, making it one of the best Career Fairs we've attended so far.

And we'd like to thank Lisa Sorenson, who attended Lawrence Park Community Days for ECTS this summer and generously displayed our information as well.

New Choices/ New Options

The grant application was finally opened on August 15 with some guideline changes. Grants are due on August 29.

In August, we provided a series of workshops to Hope House, a family homeless shelter. We began this service at their request about two years ago and provide these workshops in August and February.

Our first regular New Choices program is scheduled to begin on September 15 at the Erie CareerLink.