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Columbus Area Institutions Announce Training Partnership

Single source for industrial health and safety training

COLUMBUS — May 19, 2003 —Three area institutions— Columbus Public Schools, Columbus State Community College, and Eastland-Fairfield Career and Technical Schools—are announcing the Columbus Training Partnership, a collaborative initiative to provide comprehensive industrial health and safety training to the Greater Columbus business community. According to the CTP’s mission statement, the partnership will “leverage the resources and expertise of the partnership to provide a single point of contact for fast, flexible, and total training solutions to Greater Columbus area employers.” The CTP collectively offers over 50 years of experience serving the needs of Central Ohio employers.

“The Department of Adult and Community Education of the Columbus Public Schools is excited about the powerful synergy of service our combined institutions can create for the Columbus business community,” states Director Jeanette Hunt-Osborn. “This partnership pledges to provide employers with the fastest, most comprehensive training solution in Central Ohio,” adds Jane Hines, Director of Adult Workforce Development for the Eastland-Fairfield Career and Technical Schools.

A Full Suite of Health and Safety Training Services

The Columbus Training Partnership provides comprehensive industrial health and safety training and consulting to employers in the Greater Columbus area. Topics include OSHA compliance, material handling and storage, electrical safety, and drug-free workplace training. The partnership consults with employers to design training solutions targeted to their specific training needs.

Ohio's Higher Skills Partnership Initiative

The Columbus Training Partnership was created in response to a statewide initiative between the Ohio Board of Regents and the Ohio Department of Education to establish business and industry training partnerships throughout Ohio. These initiatives, known as "Higher Skills Partnerships," have grown rapidly within the past year. The Higher Skills Partnership initiative has been endorsed by Ohio's Department of Development and the Governor's Workforce Policy Board. The Higher Skills Partnership initiative will give Ohio a competitive economic advantage by providing a statewide single-source delivery system for workforce training and development.

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