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TO: Florida College System Workforce Administrators District Career and Technical Education Directors

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SUBJECT: Webinar Series on Supporting College Access and Success for Students with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

Colleagues,

I wanted to make you aware of a new webinar series sponsored by the College Matters project, funded by the Florida Developmental Disabilities Council, Inc. They are hosting a five-part webinar series entitled *College Matters: What Students, Families, and Professionals Can Do to Support College Access and Success for Students with Intellectual and/or Developmental Disabilities (IDD).* The series will provide participants with strategies to prepare and support students with IDD for college success and will allow time for discussion and resource sharing. The webinars are relevant for both secondary and postsecondary personnel.

We encourage you to participate in these webinars, as they focus on assisting students with disabilities, one of the special populations targeted in Perkins V. It is critical that we assist <u>all</u> students in our CTE programs to succeed and be prepared to move on to further education in a career pathway, especially those in special populations who may not have been aware of and/or ready for these opportunities in the past. We hope these webinars will assist you in gaining an understanding of the needs and challenges of these students and learn strategies that can be implemented in your programs to help prepare and support students with IDD to succeed.

For more information, including dates the webinars are offered, please see the attached flyer.

Best,

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