Skills Centers in Washington

CORE 24 Implementation Task Force
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History and Purpose

- Washington’s first Skills Center opened in 1966 serving 96 students.

- In 2008 over 7,000 students from 110 school districts attended one of the ten skill centers in the state.
Skills Centers
- Specialize in high cost – high demand programs
- Operate under cooperative agreements
- Serve multiple participating school districts

2SSB 5790 (2008)
- Encouragement of satellite and branch campuses to address high-demand fields
- OSPI to conduct 10-year capital plan for SCs
Educational Partnerships

- Secondary and post-secondary education
- Business and trade organizations
- Economic development councils
- Workforce investment boards
- Registered apprenticeships
Established Skills Centers

- Clark County Skills Center, Vancouver
- New Market Skills Center, Tumwater
- North Central Technical Skills Center, Wenatchee
- North Olympic Peninsula Skills Center, Port Angeles
- Puget Sound Skills Center, Burien
- Sno-Isle Tech Skills Center, Mukilteo
- Spokane Area Professional-Technical Skills Center, Spokane
- Tri-Tech Skills Center, Kennewick
- West Sound Technical Skills Center, Bremerton
- Yakima Valley Technical Skills Center, Yakima

Emerging Skills Centers

- Grant County Skills Center, Moses Lake
- Pierce County Skills Center, Bethel
- Northeast King County Skills Center, Bellevue
- Northwest Career and Technical Academy, Mount Vernon

Feasibility Studies

- Seattle Skills Center, Seattle
- Satellite and branch campuses (eight skills centers and 85 school districts participating)
Current Feasibility Studies

Satellite and branch campuses to address high-demand fields 2SSB 5790

Feasibility Studies

• Satellite and branch campuses
  Eight skills centers and 85 school districts participating
  Clark County Skills Center - New Market Skills Center - North Olympic Peninsula Skills Center - Puget Sound Skills Center - Spokane Skills Center - Tri-Tech Skills Center - Northeast Vocational Area Cooperative - Northwest Career and Technical Academy

• Seattle Public Schools

Targeted High Demand Programs

• Green Economy
• Information Technology
• Biotech
• Health Care
• STEM – Science, Technology, Engineering and Math
Completed Feasibility Study

TRI-CITIES STEM SCHOOL STUDY

Skills Centers Bond Bill: SHB 3374 (2008)

- Authorization of $100 million in state general obligation bonds for school construction assistance grants and capital improvements related to skill centers
- Funds derived from the investment income on the Permanent Common School Fund
- The proceeds from the sale of skill center bonds to be deposited into the Skills Centers Building Account
  - Skills Center bonds exempt from the 7 percent statutory debt limit
- Ten percent minimum local project contribution threshold for major skill center projects
# Future of Skills Centers

## Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction

### 2009-11 Biennial Capital Budget Proposal

**Major Construction Projects**

Updated 1/29/09

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*Based on OSPI's 2009-11 Budget Recommendations*
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