



To meet the state's workforce needs, LCTCS will need to enroll **160,000 students** by 2012.

Louisiana's 48 community and technical college campuses are the primary portal to higher education and employment for thousands of our state's residents. Every year, men and women looking for a path to college or a gateway to a new career enroll in LCTCS institutions, where they obtain top-notch skills quickly and affordably.

More than 52,000 students are currently enrolled in community and technical colleges, and many are training to become the next generation of badly-needed nurses, health care professionals, early childhood educators, first responders and construction workers.

The state's workforce challenges are vast. We believe the State of Louisiana should pursue an agenda that makes workforce training and technical education top priorities, both through resources and through smart policies that support the state's community and technical colleges.



Louisiana Community & Technical College System

2008  
PLATFORM

TRANSFORMING  
LOUISIANA'S WORKFORCE



**OUR VISION**

To be the premier system of community and technical colleges in the nation and the most responsive in meeting the higher education and workforce needs of Louisiana students, communities, and businesses.

**OUR COLLEGES**

The LCTCS is comprised of seven community colleges, two technical community colleges & 38 technical college campuses located in eight regions across the state.

- Baton Rouge Community College
- Bossier Parish Community College
- Delgado Community College
- Elaine P. Nunez Community College
- L.E. Fletcher Technical Community College
- Louisiana Delta Community College
- Louisiana Technical College (38 campuses in eight regions)
- River Parishes Community College
- South Louisiana Community College
- SOWELA Technical community College

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“ Fully develop our community & technical college system & give them primary responsibility for delivery of worker training programs. ”

Source: Fresh Start for Louisiana, Bobby Jindal's Action Plan

## DESIGNATE RESPONSIBILITY FOR WORKFORCE TRAINING

Designate responsibility for the delivery of workforce training to the Louisiana Community and Technical College System.

No other agency in Louisiana provides the variety and quality of workforce training programs and certifications offered by LCTCS institutions. To realize the potential of these institutions, a performance funding model to grow enrollment and develop programs aligned with workforce needs and economic development priorities is imperative.

### To ensure the LCTCS can perform this responsibility, the following is needed:

- Fund every new enrollment aligned with workforce needs and economic development priorities. - **\$20.4 million**
- Complete funding for a new Student Information System. - **\$30 million**
- “Buy down” the tuition of the Louisiana Technical College to ensure low tuition rates. - **\$12 million**

“ The Louisiana Community and Technical College System, with campuses across the state, is well positioned to direct the high demand, industry-sensitive workforce training we need. By improving coordination with industry leaders . . . our community and technical colleges can prepare our citizens for greater success in the workplace and provide Louisiana companies with skilled workers to grow their businesses. ”

Source: Blueprint Louisiana

## EXPAND “RAPID RESPONSE” CAPACITY

Establish a standing “Rapid Response” training fund to address urgent workforce needs. - **\$15 million**

Louisiana, perhaps more than any other state, has learned the value of “rapid response” training. Employment needs change constantly, thus in order to serve both the marketplace and our students, we must have the capacity to offer programs – sometimes rapidly – that will produce a steady stream of skilled workers.



“ The community and technical college system should coordinate closely with business so that curricula will meet identified shortage areas in the marketplace. We must put in place a rapid response system to quickly target workforce shortages that arise. ”

Source: Fresh Start for Louisiana, Bobby Jindal’s Action Plan

## ESTABLISH CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE

Establish “Centers of Excellence” to meet industry demand in key sectors.

The LCTCS will establish four “Centers of Excellence” at key campuses throughout the state to offer flexible, quality education and training programs for targeted industries that drive Louisiana’s economy.

### Marine Manufacturing Technology Institute - \$21.25 million

Southeast Louisiana

This institute will support Louisiana’s \$3.9 billion shipbuilding industry by delivering state-of-the-art training and education.

### Institute for Cyber Security Technology - \$12.5 million

Northwest Louisiana

This Center will provide access to cutting edge education and training opportunities for cyber operators in support of the Barksdale Air Force Base Cyber Command and Cyber Innovations Center.

### Gulf Coast Institute for Energy Production Technology - \$14.5 million

Southwest Louisiana

This Center will serve as a sector hub for emerging energy exploration and production technologies including natural gas regassification.

### Gulf Coast Institute for Emergency Preparedness and Response - \$17.75 million

South Central Louisiana

This Center will develop innovative programs related to disaster planning, response and recovery. It will also train first responders and emergency preparedness officers.

“ Regular interaction through the “Centers of Excellence” would consolidate sector specific information and translate research into curriculum development and workforce training in such high-demand fields as advanced manufacturing, construction, oil and gas, and health care. Following the lead of model states, these structures should be located at key campuses that will offer flexible, quality education and training programs for targeted industries that drive Louisiana’s economy. ”

Source: Blueprint Louisiana

## ENHANCE FACILITIES

Provide facilities to meet both current & future workforce needs. - **\$27.6 Million**

### LCTCS Capital Outlay FY 2008-2009

BOARD OF REGENTS’ RECOMMENDATIONS  
PROJECTS FUNDED OVER 5 YEARS, THROUGH 2013

Community Colleges	Project Total
Delgado Community College ( <i>Emergency Project</i> )	3,600,000
Nunez Community College ( <i>Allied Health Facility</i> )	5,200,000
Delgado Community College ( <i>City Park Campus, New Classroom Building</i> )	12,000,000
<b>Community College Total</b>	<b>\$ 20,800,000</b>

### Louisiana Technical College

Ruston Campus	1,700,000
Teche Area Campus, <i>New Iberia</i>	2,000,000
LTC West and East Jefferson	1,600,000
Morgan Smith Campus, <i>Jennings</i>	1,500,000
<b>LTC Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,800,000</b>

**Total LCTCS Capital Outlay Recommendations 2009** \$ 27,600,000

