



Montana Perkins State Plan Hearing Agenda

February 8, 2024

Purpose Statement:

The Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE) and the Office of Public Instruction (OPI) will jointly conduct public hearings for updates made to the 2024 Perkins State Plan. The purpose of a hearing is to afford all segments of the public and interested organizations an opportunity to present their views and make recommendations to the plan to be submitted to the federal Office of Career, Technical and Adult Education (OCTAE) for approval.

Time	Thursday, February 8 2024
5:30pm	Welcome & Overview
5:40pm	Open Discussion and Public Comment Regarding Perkins State Plan Topics <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Workforce development• Continuous improvement in academic achievement and technical skill attainment• Meaningful collaboration between secondary schools, postsecondary institutions, and employers• How to involve parents, teachers, faculty, counselors, local businesses, labor organizations, and representatives of Indian Tribes and Tribal organizations in the planning, development, implementation, and evaluation of CTE programs• Employability skills• Special Population access• Consideration of local economic and education needs• Recruitment, preparation, and retention of CTE teachers, faculty, staff, and administrators, including professional development
6:30pm	Solicit Public Comment on Any Matter Within the Jurisdiction of OCHE or OPI
6:45pm	Discuss Process for Written Public Comment
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