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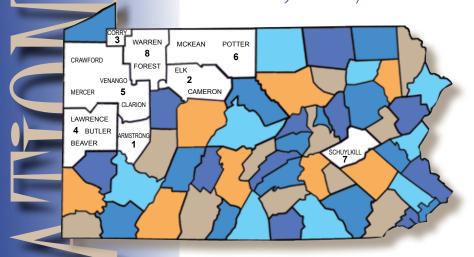
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ur mission is to leverage existing resources, foster a spirit of cooperation, and be an access point for anyone interested in furthering his or her education. Our individual identities and community-based approach allow us to draw upon appropriate and diverse resources to meet local needs and regional challenges. One increasingly important resource is distance-learning technology. Through unique partnerships, we are actively promoting and using this medium to meet the educational needs of our communities.

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#### Who We Are

- Educational Facilitators
- Serving the residents of 15 counties and a population of over one million
- Coordinators of a network of public/private programs
- Eight Education Councils
- Institutionally neutral
- Marketing Coordinators
- Resource Centers for area adults
- Providers of seamless services using limited staff and infrastructure

### **Programming**

Credit Courses Non-credit Courses Workshops Seminars **GED** Preparation Diploma Program Associate Degrees **Bachelor Degrees Masters Degrees Doctorate Degrees Credit Certificates Job Skills Training** Personal Enrichment Professional Development Workforce Development School to Work Program

### **Services Provided**

- The CECs provide nearly 1.1 million rural residents access to higher education opportunities through course and program enrollments, educational planning and career counseling
- The Councils match learner needs with schools and community resources and agencies
- Employer driven education and training initiatives
- Increasing the capabilities of the existing workforce
- Preparing people to (re) enter the labor force

# Oil & Gas Industry Initiative

The CECs are instrumental in the collaborative efforts to provide workforce development and job training skills for the Marcellus and Utica Shale.

## **Funding**

A yearly state investment from the Pennsylvania Department of Education is the major funding source for the councils. This support also helps to leverage considerable in-kind contributions and funds from local businesses, industry, community foundations, local municipalities and organizations.

#### **Partners**

State Related Universities **Business Schools** State System Schools Community Colleges **School Districts** Vocational/Technical Schools **Private Universities Proprietary Schools** CareerLinks **Local Employers** Workforce Investment Boards