



GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL FOR WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Council Matters: February 9, 2012

Governor Fallin Announces OKJobMatch.com



During her State of the State address, Governor Mary Fallin announced the arrival of OKJobMatch.com. A revolution in job matching technology, OKJobMatch.com matches job seekers with employers. The website is part of the game-changers proposed by the Council to be championed by the Governor:

- Improve the outcome of Oklahoma skill development systems through the use of on-line tools and data bases that will improve efficiency and measure effectiveness.
- Deepen public/private partnerships to improve the match between employer-demanded skills and the skills of job applicants through the use of Career Pathways and Career Readiness Certificates.

Expect more exciting news about OKJobMatch.com as the year rolls on!

OKJobMatch.Com Materials Being Distributed



Information about OKJobMatch.com is now available. The Oklahoma Department of Commerce is distributing posters, pamphlets, and business cards to partner agencies. Efforts are being made to distribute information about OKJobMatch.com across the state. [Let us know if you would like to receive any materials](#). Arrangements will be made to send them your way.

Dr. Risser Addresses Council Portal/Data Committee



Dr. Paul Risser recently addressed the Governor's Council's Portal/Data Committee on the work of the Oklahoma P-20 Data Coordinating Council.

Dr. Risser discussed the need for quality data that can be shared through a longitudinal data system.

The Committee also adopted its recommendations for 2012, including: implementation of OKJobMatch.com; the continued development of a workforce portal; and to continue work on integrating data systems.

Summit Examines Growth Potential of 6 SE Oklahoma Counties



A summit was recently held on the campus of Eastern Oklahoma State College in Wilburton examining the economic potential for several southeastern Oklahoma counties. The summit included presentations on the Army Ammunition Plant in McAlester and its economic impact on the area.

An in-depth region report was also presented on Haskell, Hughes, Latimer, McIntosh, Pittsburg, and Pushmataha counties. [Click here to read the full report.](#)

Oklahoma Unemployment Rate Remains 6.1%

[Oklahoma's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate held steady](#) at 6.1% for December, with an increase of 1,200 jobs. The unemployment rate is **still** lower than every neighboring state.

Register for OKJobmatch.com Webinar

The Oklahoma Dept. of Commerce and Burning Glass Technologies are pleased to offer a webinar on OKJobMatch.com Focus/Talent module on Friday, February 10, 2012 (9:00am-10:00am CST). [Register today!](#)

Upcoming Events

Governor's Council Meeting: April 20 at 9am at OSU-OKC, 3rd floor Student Union

Governor's Youth Council Meeting: April 20 at 12pm at OSU-OKC, 3rd floor Student Union

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