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Welcome and Framing Remarks

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Introductions

- Name
- Your organization and role
- What is one thing you want to learn about **career-connected learning** during the RISE Collaborative?

Grounded in Place

The St. Vrain Valley Schools Innovation Center Success Stories



Dr. Don Haddad
Superintendent,
St. Vrain Valley
School District



**Ms. Libuse
Binder**
Jobs for the
Future



**Moderator: Ms. Debbie
Brown**
President & CEO, Colorado
Business Roundtable

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The Big Blur & Career-Connected Learning

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Libuse Binder | Big Blur Policy &
Implementation Advisor | JFF

Jobs for the Future is building a future that works—for everyone

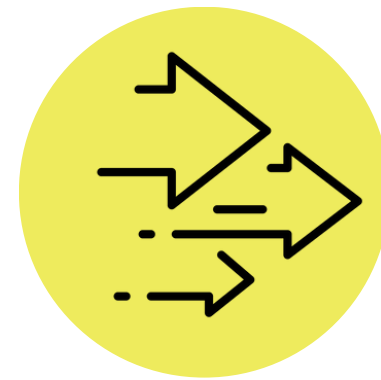
In 10 years,
75 million people facing systemic barriers to advancement work in quality jobs.



Colorado faces a distinct set of talent pipeline challenges



There are **two jobs available** in Colorado for every unemployed person



Colorado's economy is **growing rapidly** with increasing need for talent across industries.



90% of family sustaining jobs in Colorado require some sort of post-secondary credential, but undergraduate enrollment has declined 19% since 2010

We've been trying to improve transitions for a long time

High school

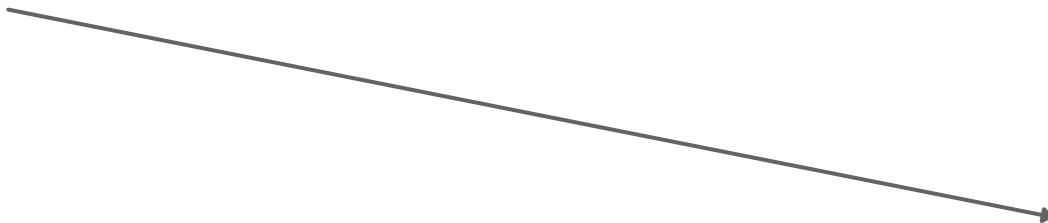
- Early college and dual enrollment
- Grade 13 programs
- College Promise
- College advising

- Career pathways
- Career and technical education
- Work-based learning
- Career navigation

Post-secondary Education & Training

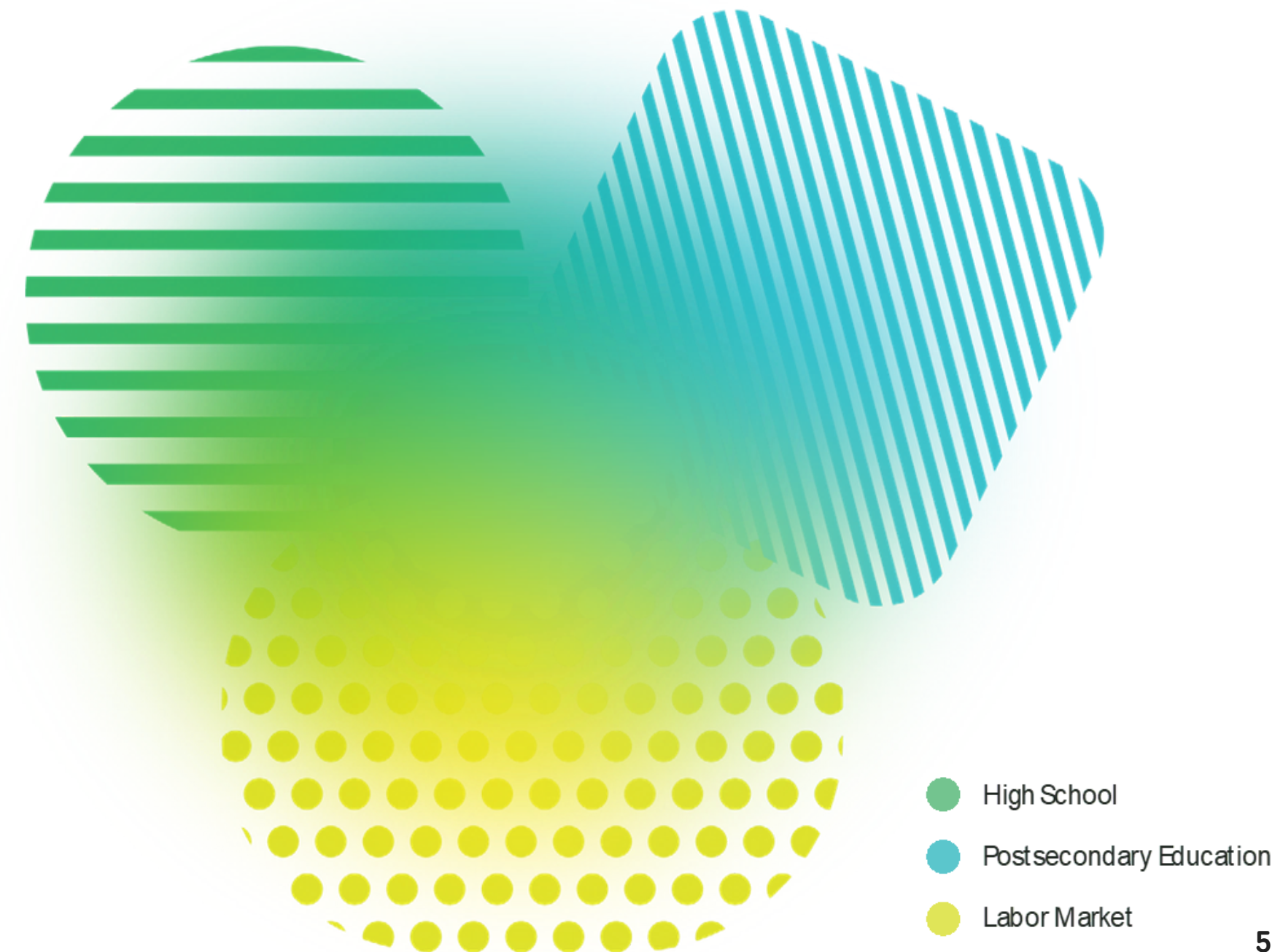
- Career navigation and services
- Work-based learning
- Industry-aligned credentials

Careers



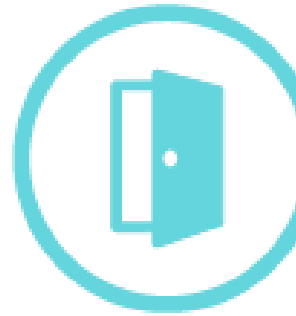
The Big Blur is a radical new approach to talent pipeline development

- **Links education and employment** through streamlined learning pathways
- **Aligns education and business** to drive equitable economic opportunity
- **Builds ambitious policies and programs** to "blur" the learn to work ecosystem



SEVEN PRINCIPLES FOR EFFECTIVE WORK-BASED LEARNING

Support entry and advancement in a career track



Provide meaningful job tasks that build career skills and knowledge



Offer compensation



Identify target skills and how gains will be validated



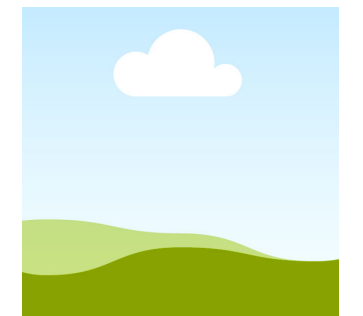
Reward skill development



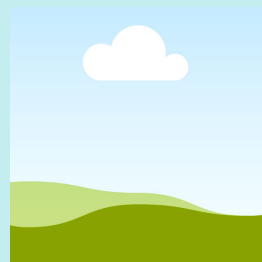
Support college entry, persistence, and completion



Provide comprehensive student supports



Colorado is leading the way—but there's more to do



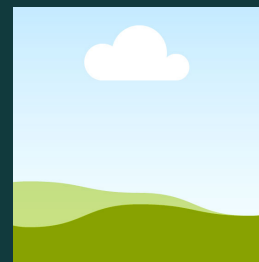
Companies & the state are investing in education as a benefit



HB 1215 | SB 192

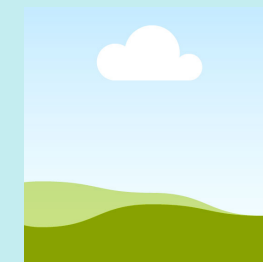


Care Forward
Colorado



Colorado has made significant investments in increasing access to dual enrollment

More than 40% of high school students participate in some form of dual enrollment



Cross-sector partnerships and investments are enabling innovative training opportunities

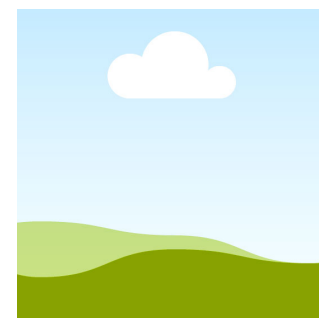
The Sturm Collaboration Campus **co-locates education and local industry** to provide flexibility opportunity for students

Learn more about the Big Blur

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Colorado Case Study



Work-Based Learning



State Policy Framework



JFF Big Blur Landing Page

What Does Career-Connected Learning Look Like for Secondary Students?



Dr. Michelle Cheang
Director,
Catalyze



Mr. Todd Cordrey
Superintendent,
Mancos School
District



Mr. Tom Keily
Policy Analyst,
Education Commission of
the States

Meet Students from St. Vrain Valley Schools

- **Sierra Ryan**
- **Sebastian Weiss-Jones**
- **Molly Slupik**
- **Kelsey Mathews**
- **Jose Hernandez-Castaneda**
- **Tyrell Thompson**

Entrepreneurship in Principle and Practice



Ms.
Christy Scott
Executive Director,
Uncharted Learning



Ms. LeeAnn Hayen
Chief Learner &
Disruptor, VALE
Venture Academy

Bringing it Together: What Families, Parents, and Students Need to Know about Work Based Learning



Ms. Jane Oates
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