



**NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM**

***R. Scott Ralls, Ph.D.***

***President***

February 27, 2009

To: Selected HRD Directors  
From: Robin R. Coates, State HRD Director  
Re: Career Start Program Closing

Due to changes in the referral criteria set by the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services, Food and Nutrition Services Employment and Training (FNS E&T) Program for the 2009-2010 program year, the Career Start Program will close on June 30, 2009.

Beginning July 1, 2009, the Food and Nutrition Services Employment and Training Program will change its referral criteria to an all volunteer program. This change in criteria, coupled with the challenging economic crisis facing North Carolinians, has led to the decision that it is not advisable for the North Carolina Community College System to enter into a 50-50 match funding grant with the FNS E&T program for the 2009-2010 program year.

In closing out the Career Start Program please discuss processes with your financial director and program supervisor. Also, ensure that all Career Start Program close out procedures, issued during the January 28, 2009 teleconference, are followed correctly. Should it be necessary for colleges to revise their Career Start budgets, revisions must be received by me no later than March 18, 2009.

Should you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

c: Selected Presidents  
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