



# CCN New Member Overview

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## National CTC Online Resources

### Main Website: [www.connectedtech.org](http://www.connectedtech.org)

- Upcoming event information
- Convergence College Network (CCN) “Program Finder”, info sheet, and application
- Curriculum materials
- Job forecasts and trends
- “Business and Industry Leadership Team” (BILT) info and “Guide to Getting Business Involved”
- Links to other ATE Centers and related programs
- Grant mission, goals, and achievements
- Leadership Team and grant staff bios and contact information

### CTC Resource Wiki: [nationalctc.mobilectc.wikispaces.net](http://nationalctc.mobilectc.wikispaces.net)

- CCN meeting and event calendar
- CCN reporting deadlines, guides, and templates (including “Yearly Status Report” template, “CCN Points” grid, and process documents for BILT meetings and KSA discussions)
- Travel guidelines and forms
- CCN meeting minutes, documents and agendas
- Sample curriculum, capstone projects, CCN member school degree/certificate plans
- Presentations from previous conferences
- Brochures and flyers, logos and graphics
- Grant partner college and contact info

### CTC Blog: [www.connectedtech.org/blog](http://www.connectedtech.org/blog)

- Discussions on emerging technology trends
- Details and reports from training workshops and conferences
- Unique case studies of innovative IT programs
- Advice and guidance on program building/growth strategies
- New educational tools and techniques
- Job and market analysis, outlooks and trends
- Profiles, interviews and testimonials from convergence students
- News and updates about our program

### CTC Social Media Sites:

**Twitter:** [www.twitter.com/MobileCTC](http://www.twitter.com/MobileCTC)

**Facebook Page:** [www.facebook.com/NationalCTC](http://www.facebook.com/NationalCTC)

**LinkedIn Group:** [bit.ly/ctc-linkedin](http://bit.ly/ctc-linkedin)

**LinkedIn Company Page:** [bit.ly/ctc-linkedin-co](http://bit.ly/ctc-linkedin-co)

**YouTube Channel:** [www.youtube.com/mobilectc](http://www.youtube.com/mobilectc)

**Flickr Photostream:** [www.flickr.com/photos/nationalctc](http://www.flickr.com/photos/nationalctc)

**Email Newsletter:** [bit.ly/Email-Signup](http://bit.ly/Email-Signup)



## Convergence College Network Benefits

The Convergence College Network (CCN) is a select cohort of community colleges and universities from across the country that connects IT educators with a wealth of resources to enhance their programs. CCN member schools receive benefits based on their unique level of engagement and participation. While those who wish to receive Level 1 benefits must invest more time and energy, all CCN activities for both levels are designed to improve programs and maximize the benefits to the member college.

Benefits	Level 1	Level 2
Participate in unique cost-reduction virtual labs that share technology resources online among several schools	✓	
Register early for National CTC free professional development events in advance of the general public	✓	
Request sizable travel reimbursement assistance for National CTC professional development events	✓	
Access a robust collection of IT/convergence curricula and classroom resources developed by instructors	✓	✓
Collaborate with other CCN members across the country to incorporate new technologies, build academic alliances, develop strategies for program improvement, and share models for recruitment and retention	✓	✓
Learn how to develop your own regional Business and Industry Leadership Team (BILT) and get your program aligned with workforce needs	✓	✓
Network with National CTC leaders who have written successful grants to brainstorm ideas and get feedback on proposals	✓	✓
Receive regular updates on current industry trends and job skills needs from National CTC's Business and Industry Leadership Team (BILT)	✓	✓

To assist new CCN members, the National CTC will also provide:

- A senior CCN faculty member for mentoring and consulting
- An administrative point of contact to address questions and concerns
- Full Level 1 benefits for the first two years of membership





## Convergence College Network Meetings and Events

### Meetings

- Business and Industry Leadership Team meetings
- Convergence College Network meetings
- Convergence College Network Administrator meetings

### Training

Working Connections events offer cutting-edge, cost-effective professional development that provides you with the expertise needed to teach the most in-demand technology topics. Use the following links for additional information on Working Connections and other misc. training opportunities available.

- **Summer Working Connections:** [summerworkingconnections.mobilectc.wikispaces.net](http://summerworkingconnections.mobilectc.wikispaces.net)
- **Winter Working Connections:** [winterworkingconnections.mobilectc.wikispaces.net](http://winterworkingconnections.mobilectc.wikispaces.net)
- **All Other Events:** [www.connectedtech.org/educators/news\\_and\\_events.html](http://www.connectedtech.org/educators/news_and_events.html)

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