

June 26, 2007

Rod Duckworth  
State Director of Career and Technical Education



*VIA HAND DELIVERY*

Dear Mr. Duckworth:

Thank you for giving Seattle Public Schools the opportunity to study the feasibility of a skills center in the Seattle area. Enclosed please find the final Feasibility Study, in which the consultant-author determined that there is sufficient demand and desire in the Seattle/Shoreline region for a skills center.

This study has been forwarded to the Directors of Career and Technical Education of both Seattle Public Schools and Shoreline Public Schools (a potential member district in a Seattle area skills center), and staff in both districts are currently analyzing whether a skills center is fiscally feasible at this time and, if so, how a skills center would complement existing high school academic offerings.

We anticipate having the academic and fiscal feasibility analyses complete by the end of August, at which point the Study and the additional analyses will be presented to the Superintendents and/or School Boards of each district for review.

Once that review is complete the Superintendents and/or School Board members will be able to make an informed decision about the long-term feasibility of a Skills Center in this area. When those decisions are made we will then be able to report their decisions to you.

We remain excited about the possibility of offering our students another opportunity to achieve academic success and to graduate from high school ready for college and work.

If you have any question about our process, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Carla Santorno  
Chief Academic Officer  
Seattle Public Schools

cc: Marcia Harris, Deputy Superintendent, Shoreline Public Schools