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# **CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION MEMO NO. 177-21**

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**TO:** CTE Administrators

**FROM:** George R. Willcox, Director, Operations and Accountability

 Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education

## SUBJECT: JobsEQ – Statewide Data Initiative

The Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education has established a contract with Chumura Economics & Analytics to provide local school divisions’ access to JobsEQ. The software provides online access to demographics, employment, wages, job postings data, occupations, industries, skills, degrees/awards (postsecondary completions data from IPEDS), and other in-demand job data. Each school division will receive one (1) license to access statewide data (down to a metro-area, county, and zip code), plus a 75-mile radius around the states border.

In the next week, each of the 132 CTE Directors will receive communications from Chumura Economics & Analytics that includes the school division’s ID & Password to access JobsEQ including instructions for navigating the software. Additionally, regional in-service training will be provided. The department contract provides a 1-year license to use the software.

For additional information about the initiative, contact Dr. David Eshelman, Director, Workforce Development and Initiatives, at david.eshelman@doe.virginia.gov or by telephone at (804) 225-2051 or Wilson Cox,Senior Account Manager, Chmura Economics & Analytics, at wilson.cox@chmuraecon.com or by telephone at (804) 554-5400 Ext. 113.

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