

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

IN SANGAMON COUNTY



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This brochure was developed by The Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce as a means to provide detailed information about school districts in Sangamon County to those individuals considering relocation to this region. Each district and/or educational institution was contacted and asked to share a description and contact information for their school system.

Educational Opportunities in Sangamon County is also available on the Chamber's website, www.gsc.org. Links to other information regarding Sangamon County schools are also on the site. The Chamber encourages you to visit the its website to find out more about Springfield and Sangamon County.

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Public Schools

Auburn Community Unit Dist. #10...serves 1,200 students in Pre K - 12th grades in a 50-mile area 15 minutes south of White Oaks Mall. The educational curriculum is comprehensive and includes parenting classes, special needs instruction/adaptations, enrichment/gifted, fine art, computers, vocational programs, college preparatory courses, and more. In addition, a myriad of extra-curricular activities provides opportunities for a well-rounded education for its students.

Auburn Community Unit Dist. #10
606 North Street
Auburn, IL 62615
www.roe51.org/countyschools.htm#Auburn
(217) 438-6164

Ball-Chatham Community Unit Dist. #5...serves an area adjacent to southern Springfield. Approximately 4,000 students are served in a 98-square mile area. Five schools serve the District. Chatham Elementary and Ball Elementary houses PreK-3 students. Glenwood Intermediate School houses grades 4-5 while Glenwood Middle School serves 6-8. The new Glenwood Senior High opened in the fall of 2001 and serves students in grades 9-12. A broad range of courses are offered in senior high including three foreign languages, AP classes, college prep classes and vocational education. Computer education is offered and incorporated with instruction K-12. A full special education program is provided for students with various disabilities. The District also has a comprehensive Gifted Education Program. The District offers a complete agenda of educational and extracurricular offerings in a mid-size district without the problems of a large urban area.

Ball-Chatham Community Unit Dist. #5
201 West Mulberry
Chatham, IL 62629
www.bcsd.k12.il.us
(217) 483-2416

Community Unit Dist. #16...serves the residents of the communities of Berlin, Curran, Loami, and New Berlin as well as those from outlying areas. Enrollment continues to increase at a steady rate as a result of the westward expansion and the development of several subdivisions. With a current enrollment of 660, the District continues to offer comprehensive educational programs with all the benefits of a small environment. The elementary schools offer complete opportunities including early childhood Bridges program, reading specialists, integrated computer instruction, and gifted classes. The Block 8 scheduling at the Junior High and High School offers a full range of curriculum opportunities including Fine Arts, Technical, Vocational, Gifted, Special Needs, and College Bound/Advanced classes. A wide range of Extra Curricular opportunities exists. The District is committed to the mission of educating students to develop their maximum potential in social responsibility, employability, and life long learning.

Community Unit Dist.#16
300 Ellis Street
New Berlin, IL 62670
cusd16.k12.il.us
(217) 488-6111

Divernon Community Unit Dist. #13...is a small but progressive school district with an enrollment of 342 students in a Pre K - 12 program. The curriculum includes courses for vocational, general and college prep students. There is a comprehensive K-12 art and music curriculum as well as offerings for gifted students. High-test scores are a tribute to the individualized attention, which students receive at Divernon. The quality of the schools, a 17-minute commute to downtown Springfield and the lowest school taxes in the county have fueled a housing boom and a growing school enrollment.

Divernon Community Unit Dist. #13
303 East Kenney, P.O. Box 20
Divernon, IL 62530
www.divy.net
(217) 628-3414

Illio polis Community Unit Dist. #12...serves an area of 58 square miles located 20 miles east of Springfield. The current enrollment is 250 and serves Pre-K–12. Vocational services are provided through the Heartland Vocational Cooperative (Decatur) while the district’s special education population needs are provided by SASSED. The district community college needs are served by Richland Community College. Comprehensive technology and academic planning is an on-going process. The district’s students’ academic needs are serviced through a district computer network and through an interactive lab connecting area high schools.

Illio polis Community Unit Dist. #12

341 East Matilda

Illio polis, IL 62539

www.roe51.org/countyschools.htm#Illio polis

(217) 486-2241

Pawnee Community Unit Dist. #11...houses all K-12 students under a 165,000 square foot facility which includes three gymnasiums, three up-to-date computer labs and an impressive learning center library. The block 8 scheduling system was adopted into the district in 1994. Small class sizes and a dedicated staff compliment this facility. Numerous extracurricular activities and athletics are offered to students at all age levels. Located 12 miles south of Springfield and 4 miles east of I-55, Pawnee, population 2,785, is a growing community consisting of upper-middle class white-collar workers. The school’s educational strategic planning committee’s motto, “Committed to providing the future leaders for the 21st century”, best describes the attitude and goals set by the entire community for their students of the future.

Pawnee Community Unit Dist. #11

810 North 4th Street

Pawnee, IL 62588-9680

www.roe51.org/countyschools.htm#Pawnee

(217) 625-2471

Pleasant Plains Community Unit Dist. #8...is a rapidly growing Pre K-12 school district of approximately 1,200 students. The district offers a comprehensive curriculum designed to ensure a wide range of opportunities for its students. Pleasant Plains Middle School operates under the Middle School Concept, with both the middle school and high school following and alternating Block 8 schedule. One will find quality programs from Pre K through 12th grade in the core curriculum, the fine arts, technology, vocational, special education and gifted education. The high school offers a variety of advanced placement and college bound courses, along with a strong vocational and information technology program. Small class sizes, individual attention, and superior instruction for both special education and gifted students, coupled with a full range of activities in boys' and girls' sports, music, drama, art, speech, and academic competitions make Pleasant Plains School District attractive to parents, students and teachers.

Pleasant Plains Community Dist. #8
P.O. Box 20
Pleasant Plains, IL 62677
www.ppcusd8.org
(217) 626-1041

Riverton Community Unit Dist. #14...is a district with an enrollment of 1,400 students and includes a complete educational program for Pre K - 12. The district offers exceptional facilities, including updated technology, with many innovative educational programs. Participation in the Sangamon Area Special Education District and the Capital Area Career Center provides opportunities for students with special needs or interests. Riverton schools offer students a balanced school calendar, which begins August 1 and ends early June. This calendar differs from the traditional school calendar in that students attend school in nine-week intervals and then take two to three weeks off (intersessions) from school. Students are afforded the opportunity to attend classes during the intersession breaks. The classes are designed to provide students with additional help or enrichment, depending on student needs. An experienced staff works to prepare students to be life-long learners.

Riverton Community Unit Dist. #14
P.O. Box 1010
sangamon.k12.il.us/riverton
Riverton, IL 62561
(217) 629-6009

Rochester Community Unit Dist. #3A...is located 5 miles from Springfield and serves 1,850 students in grades Pre K - 12. The district provides excellent educational opportunities for all students including those with special needs, gifted, vocational and the fine arts. The district provides college bound/advanced classes, technology instruction and an excellent science curriculum supported by new science labs. A full range of extracurricular programs of academic, athletic and fine arts competition is available. The close proximity to a large metropolitan area offers the advantages of cultural activities and higher educational institutions. The construction of a new grades 4-6 building was completed in 2000.

Rochester Community Unit Dist. #3A
#4 Rocket Drive
Rochester, IL 62563
www.roe51.org/countyschools.htm#Rochester
(217) 498-6210

Springfield Ball Charter School... is a public school serving children in preschool through eighth grade. Areas of focus are literacy, numeracy, multiage grouping, and professional time for teachers. Spanish, shared decision making, and parental involvement are also key components of the school's program. Families are encouraged to visit "a place where children are the priority."

Springfield Ball Charter School
2530 East Ash
Springfield, IL 62703
www.springfieldballcharter.org
(217) 525-3275

Springfield Public Schools Dist. #186... is the ninth largest school district in the State of Illinois. Home to approximately 14,807 students enrolled in 36 schools, District 186 is comprised of two PreK centers, 24 elementary schools, five middle schools, three high schools, one alternative school and one adult education center. Springfield families have the unique opportunity to make choices for their children. District 186 offers magnet schools for gifted students at the elementary and middle school level. There are opportunities for middle school students interested in technology, as well as a Health Science Academy at Southeast High School. Support services and instructional programs are provided for students with disabilities from age 3 to 21.

Springfield Public School Dist. #186
1900 West Monroe
Springfield, IL 62704-1599
www.springfield.k12.il.us/schools
(217) 525-3006

Tri-City Community Unit Dist. #1... “Education: Now and For the Future” is the mission statement of the rural Tri-City Schools which proudly became the first unified school district in Illinois, formed in 1938. Tri-City Schools, conveniently located off I-72 and 10-12 minutes from Springfield, serve a beautiful 97 square mile area with a low tax rate. Primary towns include Buffalo, Dawson, and Mechanicsburg. The school and campus are located at Buffalo and house grades K-12 in one large facility, making it convenient for parents and schools to communicate, coordinate, and educate young people together. K-12 student enrollment is stable at 700 allowing small classes with individual recognition and attention to foster self-esteem and enhance learning. A state-approved tech plan and use of computers are in place to provide preparation in the use of technology. A full range of curriculums with a progressive Block 8 schedule is offered at the middle school and high school. Several extracurricular activities are available for students as well. A highly professional staff commits daily in the mission statement and the empowering of young people toward a successful future.

Tri-City Community Unit Dist. #1
Box 290
Buffalo, IL 62515
www.roe51.org/countyschools.htm#Tri-City
(217) 364-4811

Williamsville Community Unit Dist. #15... serves a 75-mile area in north Sangamon County and serves 1,150 students in Pre K - 12. Students are served at four attendance centers. Excellent programs in college preparation, fine arts, vocational, special education and interscholastic activities are provided.

Williamsville Community Dist. #15

504 South Walnut, P.O. Box 469

Williamsville, IL 62693

www.roe51.org/countyschools.htm#Williamsville

(217) 566-2014

Private Schools

Calvary Academy...is a Christ-centered, interdenominational school offering a well-rounded, academic, structured environment. Calvary is state-recognized and participates in IHSA extracurricular activities. The A Beka curriculum is used in grades K-12. The high school offers curriculum to fit your needs and desires, including computer science, fine arts and SAT/ACT practice testing labs for college entrance. Calvary is an alternative form and prides itself on communication and being an extension of the home structure.

Calvary Academy

1730 West Jefferson Street

Springfield, IL 62702

www.calvaryspringfield.org/html/calvary_academy.htm

(217) 546-9700 Ext. 245

Catholic Schools...population is served by nine elementary and two high schools. Quality education in a faith-centered environment is part of the mission of each individual school. Students are actively engaged in the instructional process. 2,561 students are enrolled in the elementary schools; 1,025 students are enrolled in the high schools. High school students can enroll in regular or college preparatory classes in order to complete requirements for a high school diploma. Fine arts, computer science and current technology developments are available. Vocational education courses are available at the high school level.

Attention to the needs of each student is stressed. Parents are considered an integral part of the education process. Faith community, service and worship are included in the overall goals of quality Catholic education.

Office for Catholic Education
1615 West Washington Street
Springfield, IL 62702
www.dio.org/education/schools.html
698-8500 Ext. 165

Christian Elementary School, celebrating its fifty-third year is committed to provide biblically based, Christ-centered instruction to children in K-8 to prepare them spiritually, mentally, physically, socially and emotionally. The school seeks support from family and church, to instruct students to walk in the wisdom of the Lord all the days of their lives. To accomplish this, Christian values and philosophies are integrated into all subject matter. We offer an excellent academic program which includes an Honor's Math class at the Junior High level for those students who are qualified to take Algebra I and II before graduating from eighth grade. Our educational program includes music, art, physical education, sports teams, Junior High Spanish and a Basic Computer Skills Class taught in our up to date computer lab. The student/teacher ratio averages 25 to 1. Current enrollment is approximately 400 students.

Christian Elementary School
2850 Cider Mill Lane
Springfield, IL 62707
www.wschurch.org/ces
(217) 698-1933

Grace Baptist Academy...is identified with the National Christian Education Program called Accelerated Christian Education. An individualized curriculum promotes high academic and spiritual standards. Students completing the high school requirements receive a Vocational, College or General Diploma. Presently, 21 students are enrolled in grades 1-12.

Grace Baptist Academy
2812 South Walnut
Springfield, IL 62704
(217) 522-2881

Lutheran Schools...offer four early childhood/elementary schools-Concordia, Immanuel, Our Savior's and Trinity - and one high school-Lutheran High School - serving a total of over 1,000 students. Curricula cover the commonly accepted teaching/learning courses necessary for a basic education and offer enriching and practical content to prepare for learning, living and working in our society through the integration of the Christian faith. Daily classes in religious instruction are conducted. Each student is important and is provided a wholesome, Christian environment for learning and living. Communication between home and school is stressed for the students' optimum growth.

Lutheran District Office
P.O. Box 7003, 1850 N. Grand Ave. West
Springfield, IL 62791-7003
www.cid-lcms.org
(217) 793-1802

Sacred Heart-Griffin High School... is a Catholic co-educational high school sponsored by the Dominican Sisters of Springfield, Illinois. The mission of Sacred Heart-Griffin is to promote Academic Excellence in a Community of Faith. Its college prep curriculum is designed to prepare students for college and beyond. Ninety-six percent or more of SHG graduates pursue a college education. A significant number of these graduates receive scholarships to high profile colleges and universities throughout the country. SHG offers regular, honors, advanced placement and modified classes to enable students to work at their maximum potential. Extracurricular programs include 25+ student clubs and academic teams as well as 16 sports with 34 athletic teams. The school offers opportunities for student participation in band, glee club and theatre. SHG is recognized for its music, visual arts and performing arts programs, which have led to outstanding student achievement and future opportunities in the arts. Beginning with freshman year, guidance counselors assist students and parents in college planning. Certified counselors offer career and personal counseling throughout the four years of high school. Each year SHG students have an opportunity for more than 150 scholarships

to offset tuition. In addition, a financial aid program is available for tuition assistance. Over one-third of SHG students receive some assistance through the scholarship/financial aid program. For additional information contact:

Sacred Heart Griffin High School
1200 West Washington Street
Springfield, IL 62702
www.shg.org
217-787-9732

Ursuline Academy...is a codeducational high school that encourages students to recognize their potential, develop their gifts and influence society today and tomorrow in the spirit of the school's motto, *Serviam*, which translates, "*I will serve.*" The school, founded by the Ursuline Sisters in 1857 in Springfield, Illinois, primarily serves those who seek excellent college preparatory education in the Catholic tradition. The school respects the uniqueness and wholeness of each member of the school community, encourages significant participation in that community, and encourages its students to become critical thinkers and lifelong learners. Ursuline Academy's curriculum grows out of its philosophy and objectives, that is, it is designed to challenge students intellectually, to help each student discover talents and to reach his/her potential, and to serve as a stepping stone to further education. The curriculum has a strong emphasis on college preparation with honors-level classes in many subjects to insure challenging academic work is available for every student. Academics focus primarily on core courses with additional practical and fine arts requirements to insure a well-rounded educational program.

Ursuline Academy
1400 N. 5th St.
Springfield, IL 62702
www.ursuline-il.org
(217) 523-5169

Special Schools

The Hope School...is giving children and youth with disabilities the best learning and living opportunities, enabling them to discover their fullest potential by providing a variety of services at its state-of-the-art Learning Center, residential campus facility, and community homes located throughout greater Springfield. The Hope School is residential, private, not-for-profit school whose services include a year-round educational program, residential services, respite services, vocational services, autism services, and training opportunities for parents and professionals. Founded in 1957, The Hope School provides services to more than 100 children and youth, ages 5-21, and to their families. The Learning Center and campus are located on 25 scenic, wooded acres in southeast Springfield. The Hope School employs more than 300 individuals to provide around-the-clock care, health services, and educational services.

The Hope School
P.O. Box 5810, 50 Hazel Lane
Springfield, IL 62705
www.thehopeschool.org
(217) 585-KIDS(5437)
TTY (217) 529-5766

Sangamon Area Special Education District...is a joint agreement serving 18 school districts surrounding Springfield. Each local district, in cooperation with SASSED, is committed to planning appropriate educational programs for the handicapped. Currently, 2,663 students are enrolled in PreK-12.

SASED
2500 Taylor Avenue
Springfield, IL 62703
www.sased.com
(217) 786-3250

Springfield Association for Retarded Citizens, Inc. (Sparc)...whose mission is to help individuals with developmental disabilities improve the quality of their lives, provides services and support to more than 900 Sangamon and Menard County individuals at various locations throughout Springfield. With a staff of more than 200, Sparc services include residential services, respite and family support services, vocational services, and community support services. Sparc was founded in 1951 as a not-for-profit corporation by a group of parents.

Sparc
One SPARCenter Plaza
232 Bruns Lane
Springfield, IL 62702
www.springfieldsparc.org
Voice/TDD (217) 793-2100

Higher Education

Greenville College...GOAL Program offers junior/senior classes toward a Bachelor of Science degree in Organizational Leadership degree. The 18 month accelerated curriculum is taught one night a week, one course at a time at convenient Springfield locations.

Greenville College
315 East College Ave.
Greenville, IL 62246
www.greenville.edu/goal
(888) 818-4625 or (618) 664-6755

Lincoln Land Community College...is a two-year higher education public institution founded in 1967 in Springfield, Illinois. The college serves 10,000 credit students in a 15 county, 4,115 square mile district. LLCC has provided university-parallel and pre-professional programs for transfer to universities throughout the country with marked success. LLCC offers the following degrees, certificates, and diplomas: Associate in Arts, Associate in Applied Science, Associate in General Education, Certificate of Achievement, and Certificate of Completion.

In November 2002, a consultant evaluator team from the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and High Schools evaluated the college and has recommended a full re-accreditation for the maximum period of 10 years (2003-2013). LLCC, Illinois Community College District #526, is regulated by the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) through the Illinois Community College Act. The college's local authority is provided by a publicly elected Board of Trustees. The Board acts in accordance with all laws and rules applicable to Illinois Public Community Colleges. The college has distinguished itself by reaching out to the community it serves. Besides offering courses during days, evenings, and weekends on the main campus, LLCC offers courses at more than 95 locations in 31 off-campus communities throughout the district. The college operates 23 external advisory committees, consisting of citizens from the larger community, serving academic departments and administrative divisions. Faculty and administrators meet regularly with these committees to monitor the viability of existing programs, examine the relevance and need for new programs, and make recommendations for action.

Lincoln Land Community College

Shepherd Road

Springfield, IL 62794-9256

www.llcc.edu

(217) 786-2200

Robert Morris College... is a private, not-for-profit, independent institution of higher education specializing in applied/professional education at 7 campus locations in Illinois. At the Springfield campus, programs of study offer students the opportunity to earn a bachelor's degree, associate degree, or professional diploma in various business, health studies, information technology, and art/design majors. The College meets the needs of individual students through a structured program approach combined with a high degree of guidance and faculty involvement. Program coursework in the student's major and in general studies integrates theory, concepts, and applications—a formula that emphasizes the knowledge, values and behaviors required for success in an ever-changing world. As part of the collegiate environment, students are provided the option of participating in internships, service learning projects, cultural awareness events, co-curricular activities, and intercollegiate athletics. Academic quarters beginning in September, December, February, May, and July provide easy access and enable students to maximize their potential in a minimum amount of time.

RMC's baccalaureate degrees can be completed in three years; an associate degree requires only 15 months instead of the traditional two years. Students have the advantage of personalized services: career and academic advisement, financial services, tutoring, and job placement. Graduates are entitled to lifetime placement assistance. Robert Morris College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association. In addition to the Springfield campus, the College has campuses in downtown Chicago, Aurora, Bensenville, Orland Park, Peoria, and Waukegan.

Robert Morris College

3101 Montvale Drive

Springfield, IL 62704

www.rmcol.edu

(217) 793-2500 / (800) 445-7271

Southern Illinois University School of Medicine... was established in 1970 to help the people of central and southern Illinois to meet health care needs. SIU has focused on training caring physicians and is internationally recognized for its innovative teaching and testing techniques. There are 72 students in each of four classes (with the first year in Carbondale). More than 500 SIU graduates are now practicing in Illinois. SIU is a national leader in the percentage of graduates who enter primary care. SIU has over 200 resident physicians training in 14 medical specialty areas. It also awards masters and doctoral degrees in pharmacology, physiology, and medical microbiology and a combined MD-JD degree. SIU has about 150 full-time faculty physicians in family practice, internal medicine, neurology, obstetrics/gynecology, pediatrics, psychiatry and surgery. The school and its teaching hospitals, Memorial Medical Center and St. John's Hospital, make Springfield an expanding academic medical center with considerable clinical, educational and research expertise.

SIU School of Medicine

801 N. Rutledge

P.O. Box 19230

Springfield, IL 62794-9230

www.siumed.edu

(217) 782-3318

Springfield College in Illinois is a two-year liberal arts college founded in 1929 (as Springfield Junior College) by Catholic Ursuline Sisters and is the oldest institution of higher learning in the city. For more than seventy years, men and women of all faiths have received a high-quality

education in a personal and small community environment. Small class sizes, with a 1-to-10 faculty-to-student ratio, assure students personal attention and the opportunity to succeed. The *New Horizons* adult accelerated program is a program designed for adults who are 23 years of age and older and have significant work experience. Adults take classes using the FASTrack (Fully Accelerated Scheduling Track) format. FASTrack is comprised of five eight-week sessions and one five week summer session. Springfield College partnered with Benedictine University in Lisle, Illinois to bring programs and services to the SCI campus. Three baccalaureate programs began in August 2003 – Psychology (with a concentration in criminal justice), Business and Economics and Management and Organizational Behavior (through the *New Horizons* adult accelerated format). One of the best financial values in the state among private colleges, SCI provides scholarships and grants to help make a quality education affordable. Because the student population numbers only 400, there are opportunities to develop leadership skills through campus activities and academic clubs and six intercollegiate athletic programs. The college is a member of the National Junior College Athletics Association (NJCAA) with golf, men and women’s soccer, baseball, softball and volleyball.

Springfield College in Illinois
1500 North Fifth Street
Springfield, IL 62702-2694
www.sci.edu
(217) 525-1420 / (800) 635-7289

St. John’s College ...is a single purpose, upper division institution of higher education offering the Bachelor of Science degree in professional nursing (BSN). Students complete the required freshman and sophomore year liberal arts classes at a wide variety of area colleges and universities as designated by St. John’s College. They then enter St. John’s to complete their junior and senior year classes. St. John’s College resides on the campus of St. John’s Hospital and is sponsored by the Hospital Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis. Students engage in clinical studies at St. John’s Hospital, Memorial Medical Center and numerous community health agencies within the greater Springfield area.

St. John’s College
421 N. 9th Street
Springfield, IL 62702
www.st-johns.org/collegeofnursing
(217) 525-5628

St. John's Hospital...provides an excellent, technologically advanced learning environment for four educational programs related to the health care industry. Presently, a certificate program is offered in electroneurodiagnostic technology (ENDT). An associate's degree is offered in our respiratory care program. The School of Clinical Laboratory Science, in cooperation with area colleges, leads to a bachelor's degree as well. The School of Dietetics offers an internship program for students with a bachelor's degree in dietetics.

St. John's Hospital
800 E. Carpenter Street
Springfield, IL 62769
www.st-johns.org/education/sjheducationapp
(217) 544-6464 Ext. 44572

The **University of Illinois at Springfield**, one of three U of I campuses, is working toward becoming one of the best small, public liberal arts universities in the nation. Presently, more than 4,400 students are enrolled in traditional classroom and online courses in 20 undergraduate and 19 graduate programs, as well as one doctoral program. In fall 2003 the campus admitted its third class of Capital Scholars, a selective program for first- and second-year students interested in a strong interdisciplinary education with an emphasis on leadership and civic engagement. Located in the state capital, UIS emphasizes public affairs in its academic and community service pursuits and provides students with first-hand access to state government and public service through special courses, projects, and internship opportunities. Through its increased development of online offerings, UIS is becoming a national leader in providing educational opportunities to place-bound and time-restricted students in this country and around the world. Year after year, many of the campus' academic programs, such as Accountancy, Teacher Education, Public Affairs Reporting, and Clinical Laboratory Science, can point to impressive achievements by former students -- whether through high pass rates on state and national exams or a 100 percent placement record. UIS has approximately 200 faculty members and celebrated its 30th anniversary in 2000.

University of Illinois at Springfield
One University Plaza
Springfield, IL 62703-5407
www.uis.edu
(217) 206-6600

Business/Vocational Schools

Capital Area Career Center...enables high school juniors and seniors from 17 participating districts the opportunity to learn marketable skills while earning credits toward high school graduation. The program becomes part of the regular school schedule: half-day at CACC and half-day at the home school. Instruction is provided in 21 occupational programs to the 800 students currently enrolled.

Capital Area Career Center
2201 Toronto Road
Springfield, IL 62707-8465
www.capital.tec.il.us/ftd.htm
(217) 529-5431

Lawrence Education Center...serves individuals 16 years of age and older. A year-round, day and night program is available to individuals in Springfield and surrounding areas. ABE, GED, ESL, high school diploma, Lawrence School of Business, computer technology and personal enrichment courses are offered. Job Placement and workplace skills training are available. Childcare for qualifying students and student transportation may be arranged.

Lawrence Education Center
101 East Laurel
Springfield, IL 62704
www.springfield.k12.il.us/schools/lawrence
(217) 525-3144

University of Spa & Cosmetology Arts...USCA was founded in 1978, and has established a reputation in the community as an outstanding educational institution. Students have traveled from as far away as Canada and New Zealand to train at our school. Our 1,200+ graduates are employed with almost every salon in Springfield and the surrounding towns. Although we believe that the best beginning for your training is a solid foundation in the basic skills, we also include advanced level training with the Standard System of Salon Skills, introduced in March 1999. Our salon affiliation with five salons is your assurance that our staff of instructors are kept up-to-date on new trends in the salon business. They have the benefit of renewing their skills every year with advanced education that is sponsored by the best names in the industry, including Schwarzkopf, Jingles, and Vidal Sassoon. USCA is accredited by NACCAS, the National Accrediting Commission of Cosmetology Arts & Sciences. USCA is approved by the Department of Education for participation in federal grant and loan programs. USCA is a member of the Illinois Association of Cosmetology Schools, and the American Association of Cosmetology Schools. USCA's parent company is also a member of the International Chain Salon Association.

University of Spa & Cosmetology Arts (USCA)
2913 W. White Oaks Drive
Springfield, IL 62704
www.uscart.com
(217) 753-8990
