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◆ Precision Agriculture 2.0– Second Annual Event

With record high registrations Walla Walla Valley producers took advantage of the annual Precision Agriculture industry training event. Through rotations the producers had the opportunity to learn about improving planning and communications; reducing input costs; and increasing income generation. [Read more](#)

◆ District 6 FFA Agricultural Mechanics Contest

Forty-Seven WA District 6 FFA High School students and their Advisers attended the Agricultural Technology and Mechanical Systems CDE at Walla Walla Community College March 5, 2013. [Read more](#)

◆ Curriculum Assessment Testing (C.A.T)

High School Agriculture Teachers and their students are looking for an exciting path to share their knowledge and skills to better use their graduation plans and college enrollment. C.A.T. for Agriculture is the method for these Agricultural High School students. [Read more](#)

◆ Five Star Watershed Stewardship

The Agriculture Center of Excellence hosted a two-day Planned Grazing conference led in partnership with Managing Change Northwest and the Savory Institute. Producer commitment has expanded since the two-day conference, in support for the Five Star Watershed Stewardship Program. [Read more](#)

◆ Agriculture Industry Skills Gap Forum

A forum consisting of industry reps from both agriculture and biofuels, educators, Worksource, and Walla Walla Community College discussed the skills lacking in the industry and how to close that gap. [Read more](#)

◆ 2013 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence Awarded

\$1 Million Prize Rewards Community Colleges Achieving Outstanding Outcomes in Learning, Completion, Minority and Low-Income Student Success and Employment/Earnings. [Read more](#)

◆ Regional Training in Bioenergy Through the Agriculture Center of Excellence

In late February 2013, Washington's State Board for Community and Technical Colleges formally approved the Associate of Applied Arts and Sciences degree in Bioenergy Operations. [Read more](#)

◆ Ace Reflections

The Agriculture Center of Excellence has continued efforts in furthering partnerships throughout the Pacific Northwest while gaining additional projects and expanding the scope of work. [Read more](#)