

# ACTE TEACHER OF THE YEAR

## **PURPOSE**

To recognize teachers who are providing outstanding career and technical education programs for youth and/or adults in their respective fields and communities. Recipients of this award must have made significant contributions toward innovative, unique and novel programs that are serving to improve and promote career and technical education.

## **GUIDELINES**

Candidates for this award must first compete at the state level and Regional level. Please contact your state association for details (see State and Regional Competitions on page 29).

## **ELIGIBILITY**

Individual members who are currently employed as full-time classroom/laboratory teachers in a career and technical education program other than at the baccalaureate level are eligible recipients for this award. Nominees must be classroom/laboratory teachers at the time of selection as a Regional winner. Contributions and achievements on which the nomination is based should have been made within the past 10 years.

The nominee also should have been involved in some capacity in Association for Career and Technical Education activities at the Regional and/or national level and must have been a member of ACTE and a state association for five years.

Nominees recognized by persons outside their immediate field of endeavor and persons who have made contributions to education outside their field on state and national levels will be highly considered. Contributions to civic and philanthropic causes also will be considered.

## **APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

Each candidate must first compete in their state and Regional competitions prior to being considered for this award. Applicants should submit information written in the 3rd person context rather than the 1st. Events should be dated and listed with the most recent first. All materials must be submitted electronically (in Word, PDF, or .JPG).

Applications for this award must include:

1. Nomination Form (Form B)
2. Official Endorsement Form (Form C)
3. A program description that includes the following sections (limit to a total of two pages):
  - The program's innovative or unique characteristics
  - The program's impact on students and the community
  - The teacher's effectiveness
4. Support: On a separate sheet *for each heading* please describe the following in regards to the candidate (limit to one page per heading):
  - Professional Memberships and Activities (must include dates of service).

- Professional Contributions (may include presentations and publications).
  - Education and Experience Background (to include educational preparation and work experience, including dates for each activity listed).
  - Civic and Community Involvement (to include civic, fraternal and/or honorary memberships and community activities or contributions).
5. Letters of support (no more than 6 pages). For this award letters must be from:
- The candidate's immediate supervisor.
  - An administrator.
  - A current or former student.
  - A parent or community lay person.
  - Two additional letters of choice.
6. Photograph: (digital photographs should be at least 300 dpi and in a .jpg format)

For winners at the state level, all materials should be submitted to the Regional Awards Committee Chairperson no later than the posted deadline (see State and Regional Competitions on page 29 for details).

#### **IN-PERSON INTERVIEW**

Regional winners for ACTE Teacher of the Year will be interviewed by the ACTE Awards Committee on Wednesday, November 18, 2009, at the ACTE Annual Convention in Nashville, Tennessee. Interviewees will be evaluated on their knowledge and interpretation of critical issues in career and technical education, philosophy of career and technical education, ability to communicate, and poise and presence.

#### **DEADLINE**

Materials for each Regional Winner must be received from the Regional Award Chairs at ACTE headquarters by September 16, 2011.

# ACTE OUTSTANDING CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATOR

## PURPOSE

To recognize career and technical educators, other than full-time classroom/laboratory teachers, who have recently provided or currently are providing significant contributions to professional associations and career and technical education programs for youth and/or adults in their fields, communities and/or states. Recipients of this award must have made significant contributions toward innovative, unique and novel programs; and/or improvement, promotion, research or development of programs of career and technical education.

## GUIDELINES

Candidates for this award must first compete at the state level and Regional level. Please contact your state association for details (see State and Regional Competitions on page 29).

## ELIGIBILITY

Individuals who are currently employed as full-time baccalaureate career and technical teacher educators, administrators, school guidance counselors, program specialists and other individuals involved in career and technical education other than full-time classroom/laboratory teachers are eligible recipients for this award. A nominee should have been involved in Association for Career and Technical Education activities at the state, Regional and/or national levels and must have been a member of ACTE and a state association for five years.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Each candidate must first compete in their state and Regional competitions prior to being considered for this award. Applicants should submit information written in the 3rd person context rather than the 1st. Events should be dated and listed with the most recent first. All materials must be submitted electronically (in Word, PDF, or .JPG).

Applications for this award must include:

1. Nomination Form (Form B)
2. Official Endorsement Form (Form C)
3. A description of the applicant's position and significant accomplishments for career and technical education (limit to a total of two pages):
4. Support: On a separate sheet *for each heading* please describe the following in regards to the candidate (limit to one page per heading):
  - Professional Memberships and Activities (must include dates of service).
  - Professional Contributions (may include presentations and publications).
  - Education and Experience Background (to include educational preparation and work experience, including dates for each activity listed).
  - Civic and Community Involvement (to include civic, fraternal and/or honorary memberships and community activities or contributions).
5. Candidate Questions: On a separate sheet for each heading, please answer the following questions (limit to one page per question):

- What is your philosophy of career and technical education in relation to your present position, and how do you implement that philosophy?
  - Identify and discuss critical issues facing career and technical education and your plan of action for addressing them.
  - How do you motivate and help others to become involved in our professional organization?
6. Letters of support (no more than 6 pages). For this award letters must be from:
- The candidate's immediate supervisor.
  - An administrator.
  - A current or former student.
  - A parent or community lay person.
  - Two additional letters of choice.
7. Photograph: (digital photographs should be at least 300 dpi and in a .jpg format)

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**DEADLINE**

Application materials for each Regional Winner must be received at ACTE headquarters by September 16, 2011.

# ACTE OUTSTANDING NEW CAREER AND TECHNICAL TEACHER

## PURPOSE

This award is meant to encourage new teachers to remain in the profession. Recipients of this award must have made significant contributions toward innovative, unique and novel programs and have shown a professional commitment early in their careers.

## GUIDELINES

Candidates for this award must first compete at the state level and Regional level. Please contact your state association for details (see State and Regional Competitions on page 29).

## ELIGIBILITY

Individuals who are currently employed as full-time classroom/laboratory teachers in a career and technical education program other than at the baccalaureate level are eligible for this award. Nominees must have taught for a minimum of three but not more than five years and must be new to the teaching profession not just new to career and technical education. *Applicants may be in their sixth year of teaching at the time of application.*

The nominee should also have been involved in Association for Career and Technical Education activities at the local and/or state level and must have been a member of ACTE and a state association for three years.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Each candidate must first compete in their state and Regional competitions prior to being considered for this award. Applicants should submit information written in the 3rd person context rather than the 1st. Events should be dated and listed with the most recent first. All materials must be submitted electronically (in Word, PDF, or .JPG).

Applications for this award must include:

1. Nomination Form (Form B)
2. Official Endorsement Form (Form C)
3. A description of the applicant's position and significant accomplishments for career and technical education (limit to a total of two pages):
4. Support: On a separate sheet *for each heading* please describe the following in regards to the candidate (limit to one page per heading):
  - Professional Memberships and Activities (must include dates of service).
  - Professional Contributions (may include presentations and publications).
  - Education and Experience Background (to include educational preparation and work experience, including dates for each activity listed).
  - Civic and Community Involvement (to include civic, fraternal and/or honorary memberships and community activities or contributions).
5. Candidate Questions: On a separate sheet for each heading, please answer the following questions (limit to one page per question):

- What is your philosophy of teaching career and technical education?
  - Identify and discuss two critical issues that you face as a career and technical educator.
  - What has motivated you to become professionally involved beyond the required classroom duties?
6. Letters of support (no more than 6 pages). For this award letters must be from:
- The candidate's immediate supervisor.
  - An administrator.
  - A current or former student.
  - A parent or community lay person.
  - Two additional letters of choice.
7. Photograph: (digital photographs should be at least 300 dpi and in a .jpg format)

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# ACTE OUTSTANDING TEACHER IN COMMUNITY SERVICE

## PURPOSE

The purpose of this award is to recognize teachers with significant accomplishments and outstanding leadership in programs and activities that promote community involvement.

Recipients of this award must have made significant contributions toward training, motivating, and inspiring their peers and students to become involved in programs and projects that benefit their communities.

## GUIDELINES

Candidates for this award must first compete at the state level and Regional level. Please contact your state association for details (see State and Regional Competitions on page 29).

## ELIGIBILITY

Individual members who are currently employed as full-time classroom/laboratory teachers in a career and technical education program are eligible recipients for this award. Nominee must still be a classroom/laboratory teacher at the time of award presentation.

Contributions and achievements on which the nomination is based should have been made within the past five years. The nominee also should have been involved in Association for Career and Technical Education activities at the state, Regional and/or national level and must have been a member of both ACTE and their state association for three years.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Each candidate must first compete in their state and Regional competitions prior to being considered for this award. Applicants should submit information written in the 3rd person context rather than the 1st. Events should be dated and listed with the most recent first. All materials must be submitted electronically (in Word, PDF, or .JPG).

Applications for this award must include:

1. Nomination Form (Form B)
2. Official Endorsement Form (Form C)
3. A description of the applicant's community service work and/or significant accomplishments in the area of training, motivating and inspiring students and peers to become involved in projects benefiting their community (limit to a total of two pages):
4. Support: On a separate sheet *for each heading* please describe the following in regards to the candidate (limit to one page per heading):
  - Community Service Awards or Acknowledgements (should include dates of presentation and organization names).
  - Civic and Community Organization Memberships (to include civic, fraternal and/or honorary memberships).
  - Professional Memberships and Activities (must include dates of service).

- Education and Experience Background (to include educational preparation and work experience, including dates for each activity listed).
5. Candidate Questions: On a separate sheet for each heading, please answer the following questions (limit to one page per question):
    - What is your philosophy of teaching career and technical education?
    - Identify and discuss two challenges you faced in implementing community service projects and how you met the challenges.
    - What do you see as the connection and/or benefit of community service to career and technical education?
  6. Letters of support (no more than 6 pages). For this award letters must be from:
    - The candidate's immediate supervisor.
    - An administrator.
    - A current or former student.
    - A parent or community lay person.
    - Two additional letters of choice.
  7. Photograph: (digital photographs should be at least 300 dpi and in a .jpg format)

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