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To whom it may concern:

Please consider this as a letter of support for Mr. Rex Buckhaults as a candidate for ACTE Region IV Vice-President. I have had the pleasure of working alongside Rex for the past 18 years as a fellow CTE Director. I have also had the opportunity to serve with Rex on our MS-ACTE Board for the past 5 years. I would not hesitate to say that Rex Buckhaults is one of the biggest proponents of Career & Technical Education we have in the state of Mississippi.

Rex is currently serving his second time as president of MS-ACTE and has most recently served as the ACTE Region IV representative for our State, as well as serving on the Policy and Procedures Committee for Region IV. Rex also makes it a priority to attend all ACTE conferences, including the annual Region IV Conference and National ACTE Vision each year.

In closing, you will not find a better ambassador for CTE than Rex Buckhaults, but more importantly, you will not find a better person than Rex. I am proud to call him a friend and colleague and I encourage you to consider Mr. Rex Buckhaults as ACTE Region IV Vice-President.

Sincerely,  
  
Tony Holder, Director

Kosciusko/Attala Career-Tech Center

June 6, 2018

To Whom it may concern:

I am honored to be asked to recommend Mr. Rex Buckhaults to candidacy for ACTE Region IV Vice-President. We have been professional and personal friends in excess of 30 years. Rex has represented the districts in which he has been employed and the State of Mississippi with truth and enthusiasm through out the years.

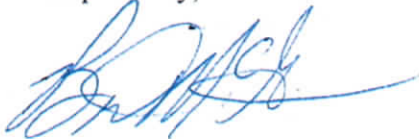
His dedication to Career and Technical Education is the stuff of Legend. Having served twice as state president and assisted the hosting of many state and regional conferences, he is the person to call on when you need a person on which to depend. Rex will be found at every regional MS ACTE meeting in Mississippi no matter the distance or time on night and is on call whenever necessary to support our profession.

To quote the Agriculture Teachers Creed, "I am a teacher of Vocational Agriculture by choice and not by chance." These words described Rex when I first knew him as an Agriculture Teacher many years ago and the same commitment to our profession is his hallmark today as he serves students as a career center director.

Rex Buckhaults does not seek this opportunity for himself, but to be of service to our profession and the many students of Career and Technical Education in Region IV.

Please call upon me if I can be of additional service to Rex in this endeavor.

Respectfully,



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Greetings:

This letter is to recommend Rex Buckhaults for the position of Region IV Vice President for ACTE. When I hear "Mississippi ACTE", the first person I think of is Rex. During my 12 years as Executive Director for MS ACTE, I have worked closely with Rex. He has proven to be dependable and dedicated to our organization. He is extremely knowledgeable about ACTE policy and procedures. He has always been ready to help with anything that has been asked of him.

Rex has been a member of ACTE for 30 years. During that time, he has served two terms as MS ACTE president. In addition, he has served on the Region IV Policy Committee, the Region IV CTE Support Fund Committee, the MS ACTE Membership Committee, and has served as the MS ACTE Region IV liaison. He has been instrumental in planning two Region IV conferences held here in Mississippi. Rex has attended the National Policy Seminar for the past six years. Rex is currently the chair of the MS ACTE Legislative Committee. As the Director of the Wayne County Career Technical Center, Rex knows first-hand what educators and students need to be successful.

As Region IV Vice President, I know that Rex would bring the same level of dedication to the regional office that he exhibits here in his home state. Thank you for your consideration of Rex Buckhaults for this important position!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda B. Bath".

Linda B. Bath, Executive Director



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To Whom It May Concern:

I sincerely recommend Mr. Rex Buckhaults to be considered for the Region IV Vice President. I have known Rex for over eighteen years, first as an Agriculture Instructor and now as a fellow Career and Technical Education Director. Over the years I have seen first-hand the commitment and dedication he has given to Career and Technical Education in the state of Mississippi. Through his programs he has set standards of excellence for students and faculty members. I have also served on numerous advisory panels or committees with Mr. Buckhaults. During these experiences he has proven his ability to adapt, change, and work with anyone. His expertise in program development and implementation coupled with his forward thinking have helped change the face of Career and Technical Education in his community and the state.

Mr. Buckhaults is currently the President for Mississippi ACTE and serves as a board member to the Mississippi Association of Secondary Career and Technical Administrators affiliate and has worked hard to be a voice in the state for Career and Technical Education. Examples of his participation range from meeting with legislators on issues involving Career and Technical Education to serving on Mississippi Department of Education Task Force Panels as a CTE representative.

Mr. Buckhaults skill and ability to work with people in various situations are serving him well with his career choice as a Career and Technical Education Administrator. His strong work ethic is among the best of any person with whom I have worked. His motivation and drive are attributes that have helped him excel throughout his career. His innate ability, as well as his solid, honest, trustworthy character, indicates that he makes a rich contribution to CTE in Mississippi and would be an excellent selection for the Region IV Vice President!

Sincerely,

  
Tom Wallace, Ph.D.



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June 12, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

I am Bobby Jones, Superintendent of Education for Wayne County, and I am pleased to write this letter in support of Rex Buckhaults.

As the former Director of Wayne County Career-Technical Center, I have been associated with Rex for at least thirteen years, having worked with him on various committees, both district and state. He also served as a "mentor" for me when I first became director, giving solid, clear and common-sense advice in the career-technical/vocational area. After I became superintendent, I actively pursued Rex to become the CTE Director, and he did so in October, 2015.

Rex is a man of integrity, dedication and positivity toward life in general, and has a high level of professional commitment and competency as he oversees the day-to-day activity of Wayne County Career-Technical Center. He cares passionately about the students not only at WCCTC, but all Wayne County students, and strives to promote career-technical education along with preparing students for a career, pursuing a college degree, or both. His leadership style is one of leading by example as he treats faculty, staff, students, parents, and business and community leaders with respect and humbleness.

Not only does Rex commit 100% to the daily operations of the Wayne County Career-Technical Center, but he is committed to promote career-technical education at the state and national level by serving on various committees and boards, both at the district and state levels. Rex is a member of the Mississippi Association of Career-Technical Education, presently serving as State President of the MS-ACTE. He serves on the Advisory Committee for Perry County Vo-Tech, is a member of the Pine Belt CTE Directors' Consortium, is a board member of the Mississippi Association of Secondary Career-Technical Administrators (MASCTA), serves on the Board of Directors of the Mississippi Association of School Administrators (MASA), serves on the National ACTE Audit Committee, and has represented Mississippi at the National Policy Seminar in Washington, D.C., most recently at the 2018 Seminar in March, 2018.

Rex is completing his thirty-ninth year as an educator, having obtained a B.S. degree in education, a Master's degree in administration, along with a Specialist's degree. I feel that he is highly qualified, both educationally and professionally to serve as ACTE Region IV Vice President, and I have no hesitation whatsoever in supporting him in this endeavor.

Sincerely,

Bobby Jones