ACTE Announces 2019 Region V Excellence Award Winners, National Award Finalists

ALEXANDRIA, VA—The Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2018 Region V Excellence Awards:

- ACTE Region V Teacher of the Year—**Kris Spath** - Eagle, NE
- ACTE Region V Career Guidance Award—**Lori Luzier** – Surprise, AZ
- ACTE Region V Administrator of the Year—**Robert Weir** – Cottonwood, AZ
- ACTE Region V Postsecondary Teacher of the Year—**Jo WU** – Fullerton, CA
- ACTE Region V New Teacher of the Year—**Aubry Weigel** – Wichita, KS
- ACTE Region V Carl Perkins Community Service Award—**Cheryl Uceny** – Kittitas, WA
- ACTE Region V Lifetime Achievement Award—**Wayne Kutzer** – Bismarck, ND
- ACTE Region V Teacher Educator of the Year – **Deborah Handy** – Pullman, WA

The Region winners were announced at an awards ceremony during the ACTE Region V conference in Bozeman, MT on April 13, 2019.

The ACTE Excellence Awards promote merit in career and technical education (CTE) by recognizing individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to CTE, programs that exemplify the highest standards and organizations that have conducted activities to promote and expand CTE programs. Award winners serve as inspirational leaders to ACTE: they embody the core values of serving students and being committed to CTE. Find more information about the ACTE Excellence Awards [here](#).

The Region V winners will progress as national finalists in their categories. The national winners will be announced at the ACTE Awards Gala, a dinner and award presentation recognizing the best CTE educators in the country, which will take place on December 4, 2019 during ACTE’s CareerTech VISION 2019 conference in Anaheim, CA.

**About ACTE**

*The Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) is the nation’s largest not-for-profit association committed to the advancement of education that prepares youth and adults for successful careers. ACTE represents the community of CTE professionals, including educators, administrators, researchers, school counselors, guidance and career development professionals and others at all levels of education. ACTE is committed to excellence in providing advocacy, public awareness and access to resources, professional development and leadership opportunities.*