

Admin Division members,

Greetings! The start of the 2021-2022 school year is upon us, and soon the hallways and classrooms of schools will once again be full of the buzz and energy of students and staff. A terrific quote from Denise Witmer states, "A new school year means new beginnings, new adventures, new friendships, and new challenges. The slate is clean and anything can happen."

In many ways, this quote summarizes the range of emotions and perspectives with a new school year upon us. Certainly, after the challenging school year last year, new beginnings and adventures can help frame our staff's and students' mindsets to start the year with positive energy and enthusiasm. New friendships can be found and developed through your active involvement within the ACTE organization. I look forward to meeting so many of you throughout the year either in person at the upcoming professional development conferences including ACTE's and NCLA's Best Practices and Innovations Conference (**Sept. 29–Oct. 1**), which is specifically for career and technical education (CTE) administrators, and ACTE's CareerTech VISION (**Dec. 1–4**). And with the growing uncertainty of the COVID-19 Delta variant's impact on the school year, new challenges are facing us, which I know each of you will address in your leadership roles.

On behalf of your Administration Division Policy Committee and Division Leadership Fellows, best wishes on the start of a successful school year, and please utilize the wealth of resources from ACTE to help support you and your programs.

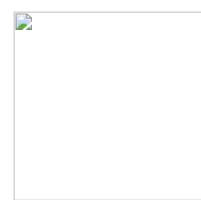
Event Especially for CTE Leaders

Don't miss the gathering of CTE leaders at ACTE's and NCLA's Best Practices and Innovations in CTE Conference,

taking place **Sept. 29–Oct. 1** in Austin, Texas. This year's event features an information-packed agenda of 28 sessions and 16 roundtables along with distinguished keynote speakers Rachael Mann, Joyce Malyn-Smith and Michael Bettersworth.

Learn more and register





Early Bird Rates Extended to Aug. 31

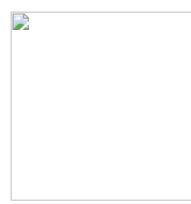
The most important event for career and technical educators, ACTE's CareerTech VISION will provide unparalleled networking, inspiring keynote speakers, hundreds of concurrent program sessions covering multiple CTE sectors and timely equity and access topics and innovations in CTE, an in-person Expo, and more. This year's event happens in New Orleans, Louisiana, **Dec. 1–4** and in-person rates include access to both in-person and virtual programming. Please note, the early bird rates have been extended to **Aug. 31**, so there's still time to secure the most affordable way to attend VISION! Not able to attend in-person? Join us virtually for a dynamic and specially curated content.

Learn more and register

New Resource for CTE Administrators

This third and final book in the popular CTE Administrative Leadership series shares practical advice, insights and tips from dozens of successful CTE administrators from around the country. Other topics include evaluating your CTE programs of study for high-quality delivery, supporting special needs learners, integrating academic and CTE concepts and student credentialing. Member price is only \$19.95.

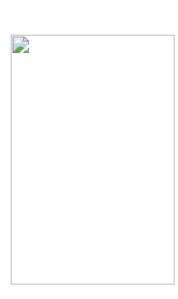
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Upcoming Webinars

Mark your calendar for these upcoming free webinars, covering innovative best practices and inclusion, access, equity and diversity in CTE.

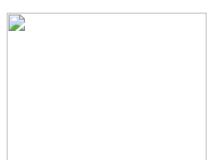
- Designing a College and Career Pathways System, sponsored by NC3T, on Aug. 27 at 11:00 a.m. ET
- Teaching Innovative CTE: Bringing Industry into Your Classroom with Real-world Projects & Skills on Sept. 1 at noon ET
- Making CTE Classrooms More Inclusive for LGBTQ+ Students on Sept. 8 at 3:00 p.m. ET
- Part 2: Confronting Isms in the Classroom on Oct. 5 at 2:00 p.m. ET



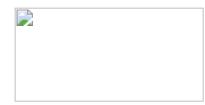
ACTE Seeking IAED Mentors &

Mentees

ACTE's mentorship program, offering professional development opportunities to help cultivate more diverse and inclusive work environments for career and technical educators, seeks to support association members interested in inclusion, access, equity and diversity (IAED) — those who are interested in becoming a mentor in ACTE's IAED Mentorship Program should apply by **Aug. 31**, or a mentee by **Sept. 30**. The IAED Mentorship Program is generously sponsored by IMAGO.



Learn more



New CTE Learn Courses

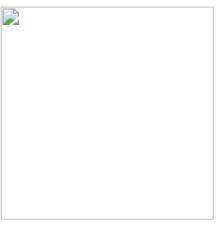
Be sure to check out the following latest additions to the growing collection of 170+ CTE Learn courses at www.ctelearn.org:

- Creating Work-Based Learning Programs
- HQ101— CTE High-quality Framework: Standards-aligned and Integrated Curriculum
- Integrating Career Readiness Into Your Courses: Part II
- Introduction to Positive Psychology for Educators
- Leveraging Community Resources to Energize
 CTE Programs

High-Quality CTE During COVID-19

Secondary schools and colleges are preparing to open their doors for the fall semester while navigating shifting guidelines for COVID-19. Refresh your plans and strategies for this school year with ACTE's COVID-19 resources:

- High-Quality CTE: Planning for a COVID-19-impacted School Year: This guide, published in summer 2020, helps CTE stakeholders identify the key considerations, guiding questions and emerging best practices for delivering CTE during COVID-19 across all the elements of high-quality CTE. It was accompanied by a webinar series sharing ideas from the field.
- High-quality CTE During COVID-19: Challenges and Innovations: This report, published in March 2021, describes challenges for delivering CTE during COVID-19, shares examples of innovative practices, and provides recommendations for how CTE leaders can better prepare the post-COVID-19 workforce and embrace lessons learned during the pandemic.
- *High-quality CTE During COVID-19: Leveraging Federal Relief Funds at the Local Level*: Published in May 2021, this paper provides an overview of federal relief funds and suggests how CTE programs can benefit from these critical resources.
- CTE Distance Learning Lesson Plans: These publications from the California Department of Education's Career and College Transition Division, CTEOnline.org, the San Diego County Office of Education's Office of College and Career Readiness, and ACTE highlight lesson plans, webinars and resources for remote learning across multiple sectors.





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