ACTE Engineering and Technology Education Division Members,

As the newly elected Vice President, I am currently adapting to a new role in leadership and in my classroom. This adaptation has made me realize and value our curriculum as a whole for having prepared us for these times with the ever-changing and advancing nature of engineering and technology — we are no strangers to innovation. The tools of our trade are built to fit many molds, and our creativity and diversity of perspectives have and will continue to get us through new and uncertain circumstances.

ACTE has become, now more than ever, a vehicle to unite our ideas and practices across the division in the interest of the advancement of CTE. I have no doubt that there are many among us whom have already found innovative ways to introduce practices to account for the problems facing CTE in the midst of the pandemic. Now is the time for communicating to one another the individual successes among classrooms and transitioning them into standard practices in the division. There are more chances than ever to share your ideas and take part in improving the curriculum, and I am always willing to hear your ideas and highlight them as best practices for our members.

As I'm sure most of you are aware, VISION will be virtual this year, and I am currently working on virtual networking opportunities, such as a hospitality room, scavenger hunt and sharing sessions. I will have more details on these opportunities in the future, and I am excited for the ability to increase inclusion among our members at VISION afforded to us with this new format.

VISION Now Virtual — The Show Must Go On!
After thoughtful consideration, ACTE is excited to host, for the first time ever, CareerTech VISION 2020 as a fully online, virtual event, happening **Nov. 30–Dec. 4**! We at ACTE believe this is the safest approach for our attendees and look forward to offering you, from the comfort and convenience of your own home, school or office, an immersive professional development experience that addresses timely topics impacting career and technical education (CTE)!

**Learn more and register**

**Apply to the New IAED Mentorship Program!**
ACTE’s new mentorship program, offering professional development opportunities to help cultivate more diverse and inclusive work environments for CTE educators, seeks to support association members interested in inclusion, access, equity and diversity (IAED) — those who want to be leaders in
these efforts and those who wish to support existing leadership. Applications are due Nov. 1. Learn more and register

ACTE Seeking IAED Mentors
ACTE's new IAED Mentorship Program is looking for mentors! Applications are due Sept. 15. Learn more

Call for Access & Equity Content
ACTE continues to seek content on IAED in CTE by:

- Recommending ideas for the IAED column that will be included in all future issues of Techniques
- Contributing resources to the ACTE IAED website
- Submitting recommended IAED speaker names
- Signing up to be a part of ACTE's IAED Advisory Group

Contribute your ideas

As we move forward into a school year that promises to be unprecedented and constantly changing, we do not move forward alone. Through the combined ingenuity and innovation of our entire division, we can face this school year confident that we can create from this uncertainty another successful school year.

It is my privilege to serve you as we work through these challenges together. Please feel free to reach out to me with your questions, ideas and triumphs so I can bring them to the board. I look forward to “seeing” everyone soon.