Hello, Region I Members,

With the start of the new school year comes new challenges and opportunities. I’m excited to serve as your new Region I Vice President and provide leadership and support to our region for the next three years. I also look forward to getting you more involved in our Region I initiatives and activities. We are excited to learn from all of our states as you develop new ways to serve students in a virtual and blended learning atmosphere. ACTE is here to support you as we begin the new school year.

Our region has some exciting highlights to share, including our new coordinator of social media, new awards chair and planning our Region I Conference in April. Harmoni Keller from Ohio will lead Region I in setting up and maintaining our social media network for members. This will allow you to stay connected more than ever to regional news and events on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Linkedin. Jim Berry, from Michigan, will chair our Region I Awards process this year. We are excited to have Harmoni and Jim lead these important initiatives in the coming year. Our Region I Conference will be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, April 21-23, 2021. Donna Eakins from Ohio is this year’s conference chair, and we’re looking forward to a great event!

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

New Guide Covers COVID-19
Implications for CTE Programs

*High-quality CTE: Planning for a COVID-19-impacted School Year* is a guide for helping CTE stakeholders identify the key considerations, guiding questions and
emerging best practices that should shape future planning. The guide is accompanied by a webinar series (with archived recordings available to members), exploring issues and sharing ideas from the field about CTE planning for the 2020-21 school year.

Read the report

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

**Signature Event for CTE**
**Administrators Going Virtual**
The world is asking for change, and it is vital for your CTE programs to be optimized to reach and support a diversified student body. Happening virtually **Oct. 8–9**, the Best Practices and Innovations in CTE Conference will offer content-rich programming and networking to strengthen the field for CTE administrators of both secondary and postsecondary CTE programs and institutions. This year’s event is once again hosted by ACTE, the ACTE Administration Division and the National Council of Local Administrators.

Learn more

**Splash into Techniques in 2021**
Hold on tight to the final days of summer — but also plan ahead! *Techniques* is now accepting proposal submissions for issues dated January, February and March 2021, on the following themes:
Write for PAGES

The official blog of ACTE's *Techniques* magazine, PAGES seeks to foster a community of collaboration among CTE educators. Let your voice be heard. Share Member Connected News or get an answer to CTE's most pressing questions when you ask Dear Linda. Have a better idea? Contact Lia Milgram.

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