



Greetings Region V Members!

With the ever-changing and evolving approach of a new school year, I would like to extend a warm welcome back to school to all career and technical education (CTE) educators in whatever form your district may be starting! Whether you are teaching remotely, using a blended model or back to onsite learning, I pray everyone is safe and that we stay strong in these very interesting and challenging times. As I embark on my last year as your Region V vice president, I am excited about the coming year and continue to dedicate myself to serving you, Region V. I anticipate and look forward to (hopefully) seeing everyone in person at the Region V Conference in April 2021 in Lake Tahoe.

I will continue to pledge my energies to provide leadership to our membership as we continue to embark on the tasks that turns the CTE vision into reality. It continues to be my honor to serve, and I pledge to work passionately to provide leadership in working with all divisions and board members to strengthen the state, regional and national association.

We have a fantastic leadership team in your Region V Policy Committee. Congratulations to Jennifer Fisk (Nevada) and Tracy Kern (South Dakota), who are the committee's newest members. Read below to find valuable information regarding your Policy Committee. If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact any of them or [me](#).

I continue to encourage you to become involved on your state, regional and national levels. There are great leadership opportunities that will enable you to learn, lead and grow. Share your expertise with a presentation at the state, regional or national conference. Please consider serving as a Region V committee member (see information below).

Nevada is hosting the Virtual Region V Conference to be held on **Thursday, Oct. 29**. Registration will be available starting **Sept. 1**.

VISION this year will be virtual. As they say, “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!** ACTE believes this is the safest approach for attendees and looks 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 CTE! The Region V Policy Committee meeting and the Region V Business meeting will happen virtually the week of **Nov. 16-20**. Once the exact date and time have been determined, all Region V members will be notified. [Learn more and register](#)

Lastly, start thinking ahead about joining your peers at the 2021 Region V Leadership Conference in Lake Tahoe, Nevada, on **April 15-17**.



**Meet Your Region V Policy
Committee**

Eric Ripley, North Dakota

Position/Job Title: Executive Director of Career & Technical Education, Grand Forks Public Schools, Director of Grand Forks Area Career & Technology Center, Grand Forks, ND, Past-President, North Dakota ACTE, National Council of Local Administrators (NCLA) Board of Directors — Region V Representative

Serves Region V: Vice Chair, Policies and Procedures Manual

Liaison to: North Dakota, Washington, Idaho

"I am honored to have the opportunity to serve the membership of Region V in strengthening our association and promote the need for CTE!"



Trish Zugg, Alaska

Position/Job Title: Program Administrator for Career and Technical Education, Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District – Palmer, Alaska

Serves Region V: Opportunity Fund Grant

Liaison to: Alaska, Montana and Wyoming

"I desire that my CTE experiences, leadership, and passion for all things CTE, will transfer into effective and enthusiastic support for CTE across our western US region. I'm looking forward to meeting new folks who also bleed CTE and I believe that CTE's momentum and need are vital and stronger than ever"

Dawn Tornquist, Oregon

Position/Job Title: Teacher/Electives/AP

Serves Region V: State of the States, Nominating Committee Liaison

Liaison to: Hawaii, Oregon, Colorado

"Servant leadership is important because having examples to follow is critical to a mentor/ relationship. I am thankful to the

Region V Policy Committee for trusting me to continue my personal growth while helping others.”

Janet Goble, Utah

Position/Job Title: Director, Career and Technical Education, Canyons School District

Serves Region V: Marketing/Promotions, Marketing/Membership Committee Liaison

Liaison to: California, Guam, Utah

“I am excited for the opportunity to serve on the Region V Policy Committee and look forward to meeting new people and strengthening our region.”

Jennifer Fisk, Nevada

Position/Job Title: CTE Biomedical Teacher, VP Health and Public Safety for Nevada, Nevada State HOSA board

Serves Region V: Website, Social Media Coordinator, Legislative Committee Liaison

Liaison to: Arizona, Kansas, Nevada

"It is an honor to represent Nevada and Region V. I am looking forward to growing as a leader and learning from each and every one of you."

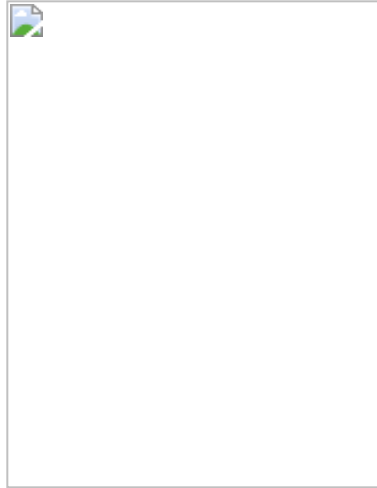
Tracy Kern, South Dakota

Position/Job Title: Family & Consumer Sciences and Career & Technical Education Teacher, Harrisburg CTE Department Head, FCCLA Advisor, Harrisburg High School

Serves Region V: Conference Liaison, Awards Committee Liaison

Liaison to: South Dakota, Nebraska

“I love being a member of Region V ACTE and enjoy being with those individuals who make up the region. I’m super pumped to have the opportunity to serve on the policy committee of Region V in helping strengthen the membership of the region and association.”



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](#)

Call for Region V Committee Members

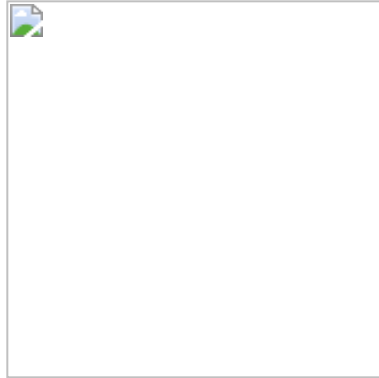
Have you been considering getting more involved in ACTE? One great way to do that is to actively participate in one of our Region V Committees. There are currently four standing committees:

- **Awards:** reviews and rates member award applications forwarded from state associations and plans the annual awards ceremony at the Region V Leadership Conference
- **Legislative and Resolutions:** reviews current legislative and policy issues for recommendations of action to the national association and creates related resolutions
- **Marketing and Membership:** promotes Region V as a desired association for members
- **Nominating:** reviews applications for Region V offices and committees and makes recommendations for elections and appointments

Most of the work of the committees is accomplished via conference call, with a face-to-face meeting at the Region V Leadership Conference and/or CareerTech VISION each year.

By participating in one or more of the committees, you will gain knowledge and skills that could allow you to serve on the Region V Policy Committee or a national association committee.

For further information and to apply for a committee position, please contact [Dodie Bemis](#), Region V Nominating Committee Chair.



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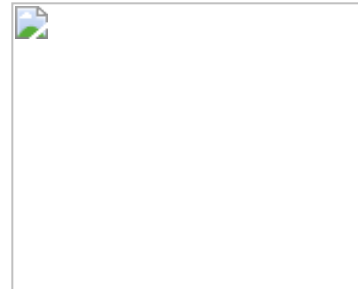
ACTE continues to ramp up support for its IAED in CTE efforts — be sure to:

- Apply for the new [IAED Mentorship Program](#)
- Recommend ideas for the IAED column that will be included in all future issues of Techniques
- Contribute resources to the ACTE IAED website
- Submit recommended IAED speaker names
- Sign up to be a part of ACTE's IAED Advisory Group

[Learn more](#)

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](#)



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