



FCS Division Members,

December was a blur with ACTE's Virtual VISION and then the holidays. I hope you had some time to reconnect with your family and get some rest! I have a few specific items for you regarding FCS and then several for the general ACTE community. Please take care of yourself and best wishes for a wonderful spring semester.

Celebrate CTE in February

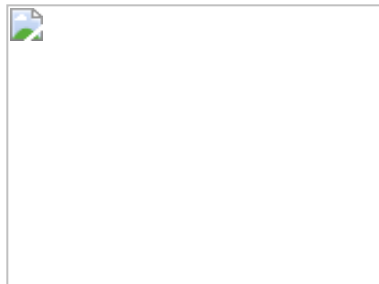
Don't forget that February is CTE Month, and the second week of February is FCCLA week and the Wednesday of that week is FCS Ed Day! Please take the time to visit www.fcsed.net to find resources for this week and encourage your students to start the path to become an FCS teacher.

Baking Just Got Better

Have you checked out the resources from the [Home Baking Association](#)? This organization is an active friend to FCS and part of the Alliance for FCS. They not only provide resources regarding "home" baking but also for careers surrounding the activity.



ACTE has designed special Zoom meeting virtual backgrounds for each ACTE division and region. Note the new FCS Division logo that aligns with the FCS national brand! Click the image to download yours today!



ACTE Announces Board of Directors 2021 Election Results

ACTE is pleased to announce the results of the recent election for several spots on its Board of Directors. The election was open to ACTE's membership of roughly 25,000 educators, administrators and other career and technical education (CTE) professionals. The following members were elected:

- Scott Stone, President-elect

- Shani Watkins, Region V Vice President
- Robert Torres, Agricultural Education Division Vice President
- Holly Strand-Rysgaard, Health Science Education Division Vice President
- Beth Parks, Region II Vice President-elect
- Brandon Russell, Region III Vice President-elect
- Susan Leon, New and Related Services Division Vice President-elect

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Influence CTE Federal Policy Priorities at NPS!

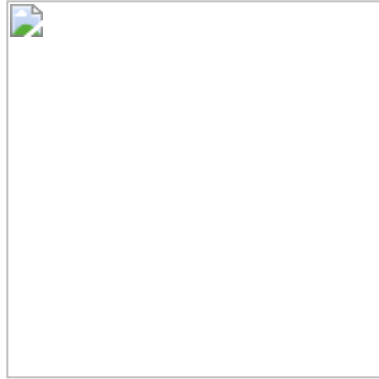
Voice your CTE needs to help shape education policy priorities under the new administration, learn about strategies for influencing federal policy related to CTE advocacy and messaging, and participate in virtual Capitol Hill and school visits. Happening the week of **Feb. 22**, in concert with your CTE Month awareness-building activities, ACTE's virtual National Policy Seminar 2021 will feature an official welcome from the new administration.

[Learn more and register](#)



Missed Virtual VISION 2020?

ACTE's CareerTech Virtual VISION 2020 featured live keynote presentations and hundreds of sessions, covering CTE innovations, timely topics and specific

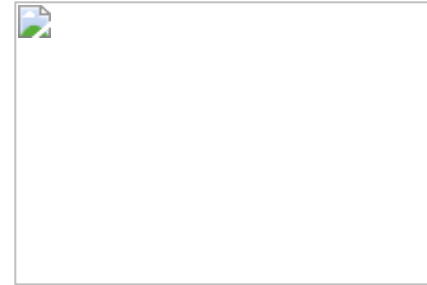


CTE subject-matter areas. Conference materials and sessions are now available for 24/7 on-demand viewing at your convenience at regular attendee rates. Enjoy premier professional development via full access to all Virtual VISION sessions! [Register now](#)

Mark your calendars for VISION 2021, a hybrid event with programming available online and on-site, **Dec. 1–4** in New Orleans, Louisiana. Call for presentation proposals will open in February.

New CTE Learning Webinar Series

Beginning this month, join us as we showcase some of the best professional learning opportunities for CTE personnel. Each free webinar is 30 minutes and will feature experts covering topics, such as professional learning communities, developing employability skills in CTE and more.

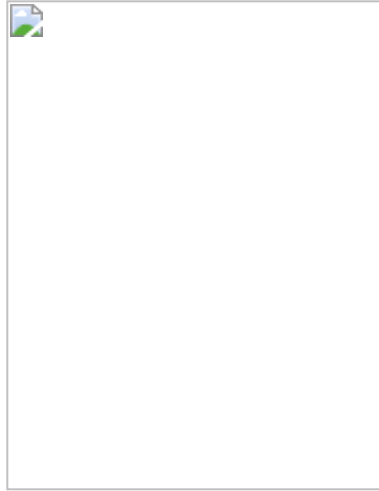


[Learn more and join us](#)

Raise Awareness for CTE

Join us in February to celebrate and spread awareness about the importance of CTE for our students and our nation's economy with several outreach opportunities:

- Encourage your students to participate in this year's CTE Month-NASA HUNCH student video challenge, "[Advancing Space Exploration](#)



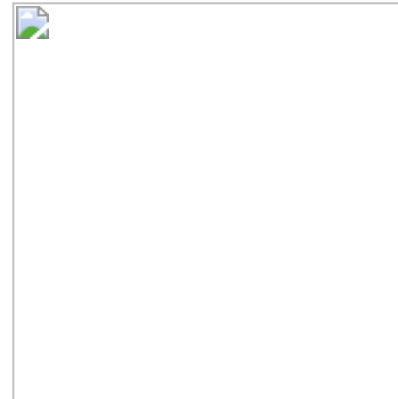
[Through Manufacturing.](#)” The deadline to submit videos is **April 1**.

- Share our social media messages all month long or your own success stories on social media via **#CTEMonth**.
- Gear up with festive CTE Month merchandise at [shopacte.com](#) to show your support for CTE.
- [Advocate for CTE](#) — use ACTE tools to assist you in your advocacy activities, keep you informed and promote ongoing support for CTE.
- [Download the CTE Month logo](#) for use with any of your print and digital outreach.

[Learn more](#)

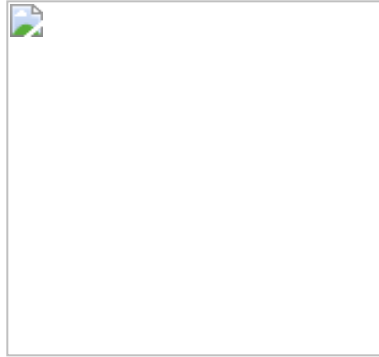
New Hybrid Work-based Learning Conference

Learn about best practices in work-based learning from across the country at ACTE’s National & Iowa’s Annual Hybrid Work-based Learning Conference, which will offer on-site and online programming. Interested in presenting? [Submit your presentation proposal](#) by **Feb. 5** for consideration.



[Learn more and register](#)

Apply for ACTE’s Achieve 100 Award



Showcase your institution's dedication and commitment to CTE! Schools and institutions that achieve 100% ACTE membership across their CTE staff and faculty will receive this distinguished award. Complete the online application by **Feb. 1** to participate and recognize your educators!

[Learn more](#)



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