



Happy New Year! I hope this New Year (or semester) has started on a positive note. To those who attended ACTE CareerTech VISION, it was great to see you. Read about those who received awards, scholarships and graduate fellowships in the Unified Associates messages below. To those who did not join us in Anaheim, consider attending VISION in Nashville in December. Check out the call for presenters in this newsletter: A conference is only as good as the presenters, and your great program ideas or research may be just what another FCS professional needs to hear.

Looking forward to all the opportunities that ACTE has to offer the FCS Division in 2020.

Regards,
Carol

It is nearing that time of year: CTE Month, FCCLA Week, FCS Educator Day. What are your plans? This year, the FCS Educator Day falls on **Feb. 12** — always the Wednesday of FCCLA week (second week of the month) during CTE month in February.

Be sure to check out the [FCS Educator Day resources](#). New items have been added for you to use in your classroom in February.



Our Unified Associate Members News

The National Association of Teachers of Family & Consumer Sciences (NATFCS)

NATFCS presented several awards at VISION to deserving FCS teachers and their supporters. [VIEW THE AWARD WINNERS](#)

Also, NATFCS distributed five scholarships to undergraduate students across the U.S. who are majoring in FCS education. [VIEW THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS](#)



National Association of State Administrators of Family and Consumer Sciences (NASAFACS)

NASAFACS hosted a webinar on Jan. 23 titled Labor Market Data Analysis: A Primer for FCS Teachers/FCCLA Advisers. If you were unable to participate in this valuable webinar, check the [NASAFACS website](#) to access this information.

Also brought to you by NASAFACS are four, one-page information sheets around the Framework for FCS in CTE. There is one overall Framework information sheet and three FCS-Related Sector Sheets. These can be great resources as you help state and local CTE administrators understand the role of FCS Education in supporting career pathway initiatives and advocating for high-quality FCS Education programs. [LEARN MORE](#)

National Association of Teacher Educators for Family & Consumer Sciences (NATEFACS)

As a Unified Associate of ACTE, FCS Division, NATEFACS has a role in influencing policy change while promoting and enhancing education. As members, we use our collective voices in research and education while preparing students for work with families and communities.

It has been a busy year updating the FCS Teacher standards. Teams requested input from members by standard and put forth a revised version of the standards which includes two new standards: Wellness and Lab Management. Members approved the new standards at last year's ACTE conference in Nashville, Tennessee. The new standards can be downloaded from the NATEFACS website. We are now working to update the Competencies, please look for further information on a request for your input on this in September. The new standards were presented at a session at AAFCS with over 60 in attendance.

Transitions with the Journal board cause us to be in need of an associate editor at this time, and we are encouraging experienced members who are seasoned writers to contact the board for more information.

Congratulations are in order for Deborah Handy (NATEFACS Secretary) who was honored at the ACTE Excellence Awards Gala as the Region V ACTE Teacher Educator of the Year finalist. We are very proud. Thanks also to Susan Turgeson for her leadership on the NATEFACS executive board. She served an extended period as president and also stepped in to assist with the Journal. I would also like to thank Carol Werhan for her past years of service and congratulate her on her new role as division VP for FCS. We welcome Nicole Graves as president-elect. Many thanks to Debbie Handy who will end her term as secretary and Mari Borr in the role of treasurer. Our contact information is available on the [NATEFACS website](#).



Engage Your Policymakers to Advance CTE Priorities

Advocate on behalf of the CTE profession and amplify our collective voice by participating in ACTE's National Policy Seminar (NPS) this **March 29–April 1** in Arlington, Virginia.

Whether you're a seasoned advocate or a first-timer to Capitol Hill, now is an essential time to communicate your CTE success stories, programming priorities and local education needs with your legislators to help advance your programs. NPS will offer an all-new CTE Innovation Summit as well as Perkins V implementation guidance and CTE advocacy tools to deliver a strong message to your policy-makers and to take back home to your communities. Register by **Feb. 21** to secure early bird rates.

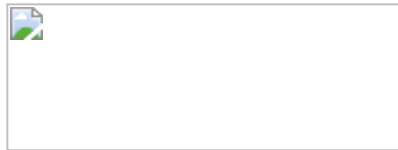
[View agenda and register](#)

CTE Month & NASA HUNCH Student Video Challenge

ACTE and NASA HUNCH are excited to host the student video challenge, celebrating CTE and project-based learning programs. This year's theme is *Living and Working on the Moon and Beyond* and calls on middle school, high school and postsecondary students to produce a video two minutes or less in length. The deadline to submit videos is **March 2**. Visit the CTE Month webpage to learn more about ways to celebrate your CTE programs, download the CTE Month logo, purchase CTE Month products and more!



Celebrate CTE Month



Present at VISION

We invite you to participate as a presenter at ACTE's CareerTech VISION 2020, the premier event for career and technical educators, business leaders and industry professionals, **Dec. 2-5** at the Gaylord Opryland in Nashville, Tennessee. We are seeking presentation proposals that cover a wide variety of high-quality secondary and postsecondary CTE in all program areas along with stories of successful education and business collaborations. Sessions are typically 60 minutes in length, and presenters receive a speaker discount on the VISION early bird registration rate.

Submit your proposal by Feb. 29

Explore the Full Spectrum of WBL
Experiences

ACTE's new National Work-based Learning Conference, co-hosted with the Iowa Work-based Learning Organization, is focused on supporting the delivery of quality experiences that foster in-depth, firsthand engagement with the tasks required in a given career field. Happening **April 22–23** at the Des Moines Area Community College FFA Enrichment Center in Ankeny, Iowa, this event features Dr. Casey Sacks, deputy assistant secretary for community colleges in the Office of Career, Technical and Adult Education at the U.S. Department of Education, as the keynote speaker.

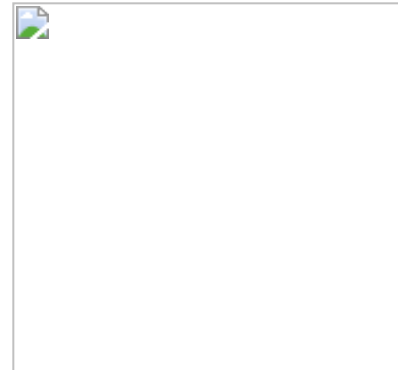


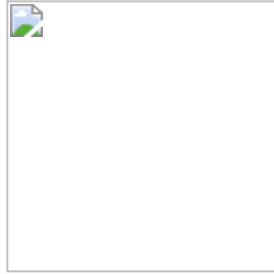
[Learn more](#)

New Conference Revolutionizes CTE

Bridging the gap between ideation and implementation, Leading the Education Revolution Conference shifts attendees' participation from consuming information to solving problems and addressing challenges at national, state and district levels. This new event, taking place **June 9–12** at Butler Tech in Cincinnati, Ohio, will dive into implementation of second-order changes that will revolutionize a student's career and technical education experience.

[Learn more](#)





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