



HEALTH SCIENCE  
EDUCATION  
DIVISION



*Connecting Education and Careers*

Dear tired teacher,

When the expectations begin to feel impossible, remember because of you ... today, someone smiled, made a connection, became more confident and found their passion. You've got this!

Happy Fall! The 2021–22 school year is in full swing, and I am already exhausted! I'm also loving being back in school five days a week. If you are still virtual, hybrid or just not in a "normal" school year ... my wish is that will safely come soon.

I hope your school year is going well and you've avoided any of the Tik Tok Challenges. I challenge your HOSA Chapter to start a positive Tik Tok challenge within your school. Some ideas: Random Acts of Kindness, Thank a Teacher, Campus Beautification, Volunteering, Self-Care, etc. The ideas are endless. Please let me know if you accept the challenge as I would love to showcase what you have done in a future newsletter.

There is a lot of excitement in the air with VISION fast approaching. Have you made travel arrangements yet? I look forward to connecting with many of you whether it be in person or in a hybrid format.

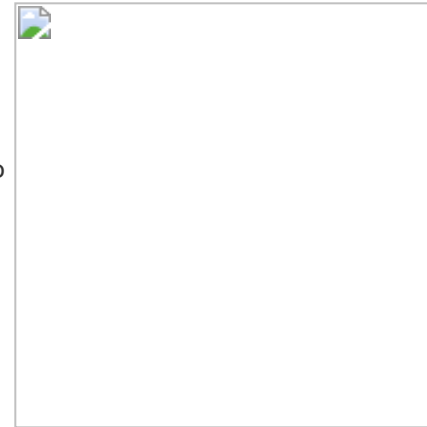
As always, my invitation to further your involvement with the Health Science Education (HSE) Division is out there. Please let me know if you are interested in helping with any upcoming events, personal invites on any webinars or serving in a leadership role. I would love to have you on board.

Take care of yourself and remember my inbox is always open.

## ACTE Member Benefits

Offers individuals actively engaged and employed in the CTE community a wealth of professional development and networking opportunities. Members in unified state associations are required to hold state and national ACTE membership simultaneously and benefit from involvement at both local and national levels.

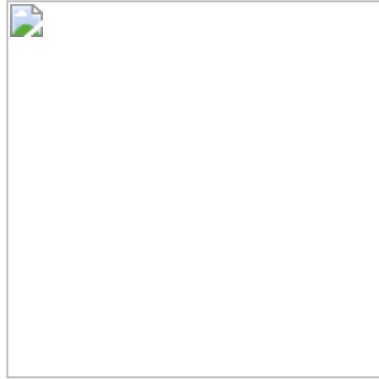
[Learn more and join](#)



## Health Science Education in a Time of Uncertainty

The image shows a YouTube video player thumbnail. At the top left is the ACTE logo. The title 'ACTE Health Science Education in a Time of Uncertainty' is displayed. On the right side, there are icons for 'Watch later' and 'Share'. The main content area features the text 'ACTE DIVISION Webinars' in a large, bold font, with a play button icon overlaid. Below this, it says 'PROMISING PRACTICES DURING COVID-19'. On the right side of the main content area, there is a circular graphic with a play button and the text 'CTE in a Time of Uncertainty', surrounded by various icons representing different aspects of education and technology. At the bottom left, there is a 'Watch on YouTube' button.

Innovation and Inspiration at



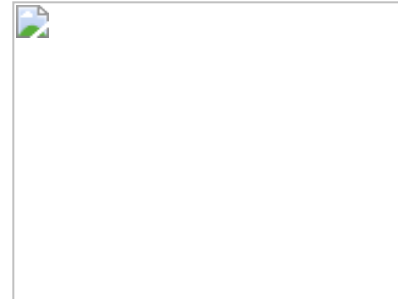
## CareerTech VISION 2021

Join career and technical educators for our largest event of the year at ACTE's CareerTech VISION, happening **Dec. 1–4** in-person in New Orleans, Louisiana, or virtually for dynamic, specially curated content. Featuring inspiring [keynote speakers](#) Kevin Brown and Anne Grady, VISION will provide unparalleled networking, [concurrent program sessions](#) covering best practices in multiple learning environments, an [Expo](#) featuring the latest career and technical education (CTE) products, and more!

[Learn more and register](#)

## COVID-19 Protocols in New Orleans

ACTE has been working very closely with our partners in New Orleans as we monitor the COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting safety protocols and want to share an update. Please note, these protocols are not ACTE's but are the requirements of the city of New Orleans.



### **INDOOR MASK MANDATE IN EFFECT IN NEW ORLEANS**

Everyone, regardless of vaccination status, must wear a mask indoors when with people who are not in their immediate household. This means, all attendees must wear a mask while indoors at all venues, restaurants, etc. at all times. While eating, your mask can be off but must be put back on immediately after eating.

**VACCINATION OR NEGATIVE COVID TEST REQUIRED** in order to gain access to the following areas in New Orleans:

- Restaurants
- Bars
- Breweries, microbreweries, distilleries and micro-distilleries
- Event spaces such as hotel ballrooms, event venues and reception halls
- Casinos, racetracks and video poker establishments

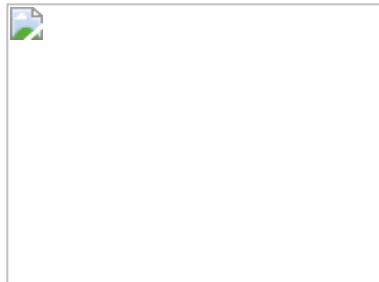
Anyone 12 years of age and older must provide the following, if attending any of the above listed events in New Orleans:

Proof of at least one dose of an approved COVID vaccine -- original, digital photograph, or photocopy of CDC Vaccination Card (both sides) or;

Negative PCR test within 72 hours -- physical or electronic test results from a PCR COVID-19 test indicating negative results within the past 72 hours. Antigen tests will not be accepted. For more information on testing sites, please click the [New Orleans Testing Sites](#).

For the latest and addition COVID-19 information and guidelines in New Orleans to ensure your safety as a VISION attendee, please visit the [New Orleans Ready site](#).

**Learn more**



## ACTE Region and Division Meeting Schedule is Now Live!

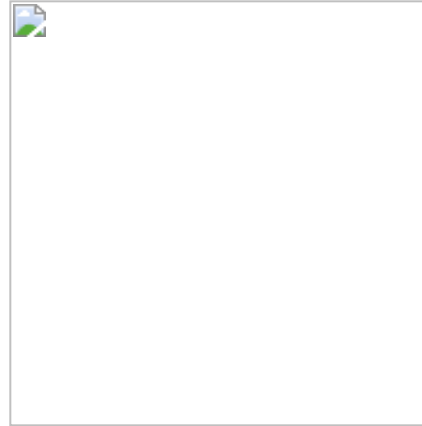
All Region and Division Business Meetings are open meetings (with no registration fee) but require an RSVP to verify ACTE membership for members to vote on necessary items during the meeting. HSE

Division meeting will take place on **Wednesday, Dec. 1 at 1:00 p.m. CT**. RSVPs are required by **Friday, Nov. 5**. The Zoom meeting link will be sent to each RSVP no later than **Friday, Nov. 12**. Questions? Contact [memberservices@acteonline.org](mailto:memberservices@acteonline.org).

[View the meeting agenda](#)

### **Congratulations to ACTE's 2022 National Award Finalists!**

ACTE is delighted to announce the 2022 National Award finalists, individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to CTE and serve as inspirational leaders in the field. Finalists are recognized in the following categories: Teacher of the Year, Postsecondary Teacher of the Year, Administrator of the Year, New Teacher of the Year, Teacher Educator of the Year, Counseling and Career Development Professional Award, Lifetime Achievement and Carl Perkins Community Service Awards. [Meet the finalists](#)



### **Georgia Power Named Business-Education Partnership Award Winner**

ACTE is pleased to announce **Georgia Power** as the ACTE Business-Education Partnership Award Winner. Georgia Power's investments locally and regionally strengthen their position as a statewide partner for Georgia Career, Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE). From developing opportunities within a variety of advisory boards to working with career and technical student organizations, Georgia Power is always at the table to help improve CTAE. [Read more about this excellent partnership](#)

### **Patrick Biggerstaff Named Champion for CTE Winner**

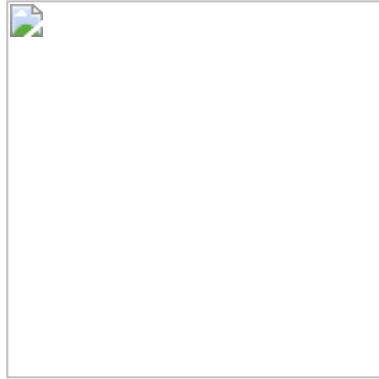
ACTE is pleased to announce the ACTE Champion for CTE: **Patrick Biggerstaff**, Indiana CTE Director at Area 31 Career Center in Indianapolis, Indiana. This past year, Biggerstaff represented Indiana CTE Directors on the Indiana Governor's Workforce Cabinet CTE "Back on Track" working group to help develop the guidance for reopening facilities and returning to in-person instruction after COVID-19 and actively contributed to the ACTE *High-quality CTE Planning for a COVID-19 Impacted School Year* publication. The ACTE Champion for CTE award recognizes education leaders who support and champion CTE programs as a vital part of developing a prepared, adaptable, and competitive workforce. [Meet Patrick Biggerstaff](#)

### **Mississippi Student Wins ACTE National Student Trophy Design Contest**

ACTE is excited to announce a St. Martin High School student **Nathaniel Bryan** as the winner in its sixth annual [student trophy design contest](#). He is taught by Richard Humphreys, an instructor at St. Martin High School in Ocean Springs, Mississippi. In addition to having his design used to create this year's trophies, Nathaniel will receive a \$1,000 scholarship and St. Martin High School will receive a free one-year lease of a 3D printer, courtesy of [Stratasys, Ltd](#), a manufacturer of 3D printers and production systems and generous sponsor of the contest. [Meet Nathaniel Bryan](#)

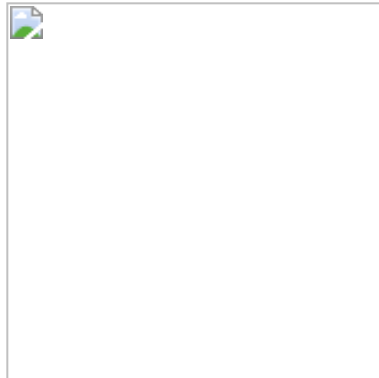
## **ACTE Awards Gala**

The ACTE Awards winners will be presented at the ACTE Awards Gala on **Nov. 30 at 4:00 p.m. CT** in conjunction with [ACTE's CareerTech VISION](#), happening this **Dec. 1–4** virtually and in person in New



Orleans, Louisiana. The Awards Gala is free to everyone to attend and generously sponsored by [CareerSafe](#), [Express Employment Professionals](#), [Goodheart-Willcox](#) and [Stratasys Ltd.](#)

**Sign up to attend!**



## Upcoming Webinars

Mark your calendar for these upcoming free webinars, covering innovative best practices and inclusion, access, equity and diversity in CTE.

- Taking Business to School Series: West-MEC's Partnership with Palo Verde Generating Station on **Oct. 25 at noon ET**
- How Space Exploration Can Solve Climate Change on **Oct. 27 at noon ET**
- How Virtual Patients are Reshaping Health Education on **Oct. 27 at 5:30 p.m. ET**
- IGNITE Worldwide: Closing the Gender Gap in STEM on **Dec. 8 at 2:00 p.m. ET.**
- Transforming the Middle School Experience: A Community Approach to College and Career Readiness for Students in Grades 6-8 on **Dec. 13 at 1:00 p.m. ET**
- Reclaiming Humanity: Services to Individuals who are Justice-involved or Incarcerated on **Jan. 13, 2022 at noon ET**

[Learn more](#)

## Apply to Be a Mentee in ACTE's IAED Mentorship Program

ACTE's Inclusion, Access, Equity and Diversity (IAED) Mentorship Program, offering professional development opportunities to help cultivate more diverse and inclusive work environments for career and technical educators, is open to all ACTE members. Those who are interested in becoming a mentee in ACTE's IAED Mentorship Program should apply by **Oct. 31**.



[Learn more](#)

SECTOR SHEET FEBRUARY 2015

CTE: THE KEY TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Hospitality & Tourism:

Employ more than **14 million** workers

Generated \$50 billion in 2012, from the lodging sub-sector

Has outpaced job growth nationwide for more than **14 years**<sup>3</sup>

What is the pathway to these fulfilling and essential careers?  
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Fundamental to the U.S. economy, hospitality and tourism:

- Includes food services, lodging, recreation as well as travel and meeting planning
- Refers to employees with technical and interpersonal skills
- Is an established and growing industry across the nation

What jobs are available in hospitality and tourism?

Lodging and hospitality is projected to add between a million and a 1.5 million jobs by 2018 as the recovery improves. Jobs for convention and lodging and entertainment attendees are expected to increase by 50 to 75 percent through 2018, with occupations that support opening events are also projected to grow. Jobs in recreation and gaming are well on their way to experience above average growth, and meeting and convention planning jobs are on the upswing. A 20 percent increase through 2018.<sup>4</sup> In addition, opportunities are expanding rapidly for interpreters, who work in this sector organizing and guiding travel, tours and events.

Many employees in the field work part-time and earn less than the national median wage of \$14.50<sup>5</sup>. However, those who work in management and sales have the highest pay rates, and hotel and food service managers in the lodging sub-sector, a director of security can earn \$24,000.<sup>6</sup> Hospitality and tourism also offers an important career for the world of work. For percent of restaurant owners report that their job in the industry was an entry-level position.<sup>7</sup>

By 2018, 60 percent of jobs in this sector will go to workers with at least some postsecondary education, particularly in the middle skills category, requiring education beyond high school but less than a bachelor's degree.<sup>8</sup> Industry recognized certifications are encouraged and being required, such as National Restaurant Association Certified Proficiency for Food Safety and Handling.<sup>9</sup> Occupations in this sector call for technical, academic and employability skills to operate business establishments, manage staff, serve customers, prepare food, plan events and more. Skills in this sector include:

- mathematics
- writing
- oral communication
- reading
- problem solving
- critical thinking
- listening
- speaking
- social media
- customer service
- sales
- management
- leadership
- restaurant owners

## Newly Updated Sector Sheet Series

ACTE has recently updated its Sector Sheet series on CTE's role in developing the workforce for several industries, including law, military and veterans, energy, health care, transportation and many others. Each sector sheet includes up-to-date labor market information, descriptions of how CTE prepares the workforce for this sector, and examples of exemplary programs, and is generously supported by [Pearson](#).

[Read more](#)





Respectfully,  
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