



Greetings Health Science educators,

I hope you are staying warm and healthy this winter. I am happy that we are nearing the halfway point in my district! I wanted to take a moment and make sure you know how appreciated you are and how necessary your role is as we continue to navigate through this global pandemic. As a Health Science educator, you are inspiring and nurturing the future health professionals. Remember, "Success isn't just about what you accomplish in your life. It's about what you inspire others to do."

Right before the holidays, I sent out a Leadership Interest Survey. If you missed it, here it is a final time: Leadership Interest Survey. Please fill it out if you are interested in getting more involved within our division. A division leader will be reaching out to you soon to solicit your assistance on some upcoming projects.



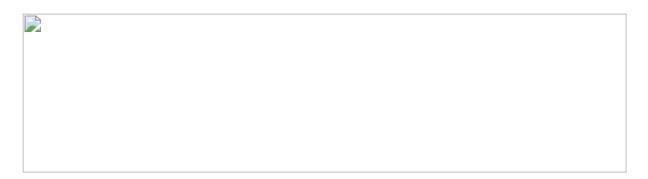
Fill | HSE Leadership Interest

The survey will take approximately 4 minutes to complete. Please fill out the following survey if you are interested in getting involved with the HSE Division

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In personal news, I'm excited to report that in December I was Nationally Board Certified. There is a helpful CTE-specific Facebook group that I utilized (found here: (8) National Board

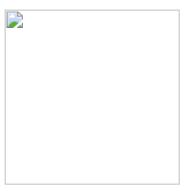
Certification - CTE | Facebook) If you are looking to certify, please consider joining that group. Also, feel free to reach out with any questions you may have about the process. If there is interest, I would love to present a breakout session of the process and my journey to becoming a NBCT in CTE. It wasn't an easy one, but without a doubt the best professional development I've ever participated in.



Catherine B Junge Scholarship

Just a quick reminder to get your nominations in for the Catherine B Junge Scholarship.

All Health Science Education Division ACTE members are welcome to apply for the scholarship, more information about the scholarship opportunity and to apply please visit our website here.



Nominations Open for HSE Awards

Health Science Education Division is conducting a statewide search for excellence in CTE to highlight outstanding educators as part of our annual awards program. We are seeking nominations from the HSE division — the awards deadline for Health Science Educators is **Oct. 1**. For more information, please visit our website.

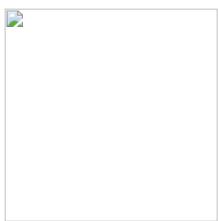


In closing, I hope to see many of you at upcoming conferences. I know I plan to attend National Policy Seminar, Region V, and of course, HOSA ILC. As always, my inbox is open if you have ideas to strengthen our division or any questions or concerns. I look forward to collaborating with you whether it is in person or virtually.

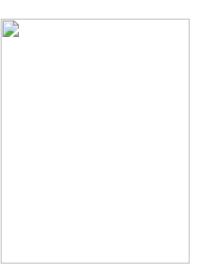
Enjoy the second half of your school year and take care of yourself!

Voice Your CTE Priorities at NPS!

Join CTE professionals at ACTE's National Policy Seminar (NPS) to engage on key education policy topics, hear best practices for influencing federal policy related to CTE advocacy and messaging, and participate in Capitol Hill visits. This year's NPS will be offered as a hybrid event and happens both virtually and in person at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Arlington, Virginia, **March 21–23.** We will follow a similar schedule to past years but may have to make some COVID-19-related tweaks.



Learn more



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Join us as we celebrate CTE Month, generously sponsored in 2022 by the National Association of Home Builders. Share with the world how much you love CTE! Raise awareness about the importance of CTE for our students and our nation's economy and have fun doing it!

- Share ACTE's 28 days of CTE social media messages by following us @actecareertech on Twitter or Facebook. You can also share your own success stories on social media by using #CTEMonth. Be sure to tag us!
- Encourage your students to participate in this
 year's CTE Month-NASA HUNCH student video
 challenge to showcase the importance of CTE
 and/or project-based learning. This year's theme:
 How Can Space Exploration Solve Climate
 Change? Submit videos, two minutes or less in
 length, by April 1.
- Gear up with mood pens, pencils and other festive CTE Month merchandise.
- Engage members of your community or the media to learn about your school's strong CTE programs firsthand.
- Reach out to business and industry leaders in your area to create valuable partnerships.
- Download the CTE Month logo for use with any of your print and digital outreach.



Respectfully yours, Holly Strand-Rysgaard VP, ACTE Health Science Education Division

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