Greetings!

September 22 marked the first day of autumn; and in addition to the changing season and colors, we have so many changes that we would have never anticipated in the fall of last year. Among those changes is this year's CareerTech VISION conference! Virtual events have taken the education community by storm, and while Zoom fatigue is real, I believe that what our policy committee has planned for the New and Related Services Division will be a breath of fresh air to close out 2020! Hindsight is 2020, and our goal is to make that hindsight include Virtual VISION 2020 as some of the best memories of your year! Here is a sneak peek at what we have in store for you:

- Jaime Casap, former Chief Education Evangelist at Google, published author, YouTube Star, and world-renowned speaker will be the NRS Opening Session Keynote Speaker with an inspiring message on overcoming the odds
- · Breakout sessions with relevant content from experts across the country
- Access to content after the event
- Virtual networking opportunities, trivia, and games
- · A Virtual Hospitality Suite with Meet & Greets from each of our section leads
- · Gift-card give aways (virtual shopping trips just in time for the holidays)
- In addition to gift card giveaways throughout the event, one lucky winner will receive an Oculus Quest 2 Virtual Reality Headset!

You'll find additional information below. I look forward to meeting you and connecting in December at Virtual VISION!

Engage, Gather & Learn at VISION

ACTE is excited to offer Virtual VISION 2020 on a dynamic virtual platform, bringing you hundreds of sessions in a mixture of live-streamed, simulive and on-demand formats, all of which you will be able to access post-event! Happening **Nov. 30– Dec. 4**, Virtual VISION will offer immersive and expanded programming that addresses cutting-edge CTE issues during these unprecedented times. Be sure to register by **Oct. 23** to secure the advance rate of \$250 for members.



Tune in for Virtual VISION



Watch as Kimberly Wilson, ACTE's 2020 Teacher of the Year, and this year's ACTE Excellence Award Finalists share their love of CTE! Love this video?! Watch ACTE's social media channels — Facebook, Twitter and Instagram — from now through **Oct. 23** and share this happy video (along with another one!) on your social media to be entered into a drawing for 10 \$15 gift cards! Bring your virtual glitz and glam to the ACTE Awards Gala at Virtual VISION, happening **Nov. 30**– **Dec. 4**, to help us recognize those individuals and organizations, who have made extraordinary contributions to CTE. Don't forget, the member advance rate of only \$250 ends **Oct. 23**!

Special Populations and Work-Based Learning

The ACTE WBL Section will be sponsoring a Zoom Panel presentation - entitled Work-Based Learning: Collaboration with Other Organizations -Wednesday, Oct. 14, (12:00 p.m. PT/ 1:00 p.m. MT/2:00 p.m. CT/3:00 p.m. ET). We encourage all of our members to zoom in if you can. (This presentation will be recorded and saved to the ACTE WBL Section -Members Only Site.) The panel of five professionals will discuss how different organizations can collaborate to make sure all students have an opportunity to participate in workbased experiences. With the passage of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, the Reauthorization of Perkin V, and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement ACT (IDEIA 2004), we as professionals have an opportunity to work jointly and ensure more youth have work-based learning opportunities while they are still in secondary school. We are hoping this presentation will give you some ideas on how to connect with other organizations in your area. This panel will focus on students with disabilities and WBL. Please join us for this informative discussion.

WBL WORK-BASED LEARNING

View the flyer

RSVP for New & Related Services Business Meeting

All Region and Division Business Meetings are open meetings but require an RSVP in order to verify ACTE



membership for members to vote on necessary items during the meeting. RSVPs are required by **Friday**, **Nov. 6**. The Zoom meeting link will be sent to each RSVP no later than **Friday**, **Nov. 13**.

Questions? Contact member services at ACTE.

RSVP



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New Student Video Contest: Advancing Space Exploration

Through Manufacturing

ACTE, host of CTE Month®, and NASA HUNCH are excited to once again collaborate on the 2020–21 student video challenge, showcasing CTE and projectbased learning programs in high-demand career fields on earth and in space. This year's theme is "Advancing Space Exploration Through Manufacturing" and encompasses multiple CTE sectors, including health care, transportation, family and consumer sciences, energy, robotics and more! The deadline to submit a video is **April 1**.

Learn more

ACTE Seeking Inclusion, Access, Equity and Diversity Mentees

ACTE's new mentorship program, offering professional development opportunities to help cultivate more diverse and inclusive work environments for CTE educators, seeks to support association members interested in inclusion, access, equity and diversity (IAED) — those who are interested in serving as mentees in ACTE's IAED Mentorship Program should apply by **Nov. 1**.



Learn more

Innovation in CTE

ACTE is looking for innovation at the forefront of CTE. The innovation definition for the purpose of ACTE's



work on this project is: Something new or unique utilized at the CTE program level which improves conditions for student learning, teacher practice or other facets of the CTE experience. Please submit any innovative concepts for ACTE to develop into best practices content to Megan Kmiotek.

Verify Your Membership by Nov. 4 to Vote!

The 2021 ACTE board of directors election will be held this year **Dec. 4–Jan. 4**! Please mark your calendars to reflect the election schedule below:

- You must be an ACTE member by Nov. 4 to vote
- Voting will open during Virtual VISION on **Dec. 4** and run through **Jan. 4**
- Winners will be announced in early January 2021



Learn more



ACTE Announces 2021 National Award Finalists

The ACTE Excellence Awards recognize those individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to CTE, programs that exemplify the highest standards and organizations that have conducted activities to advance CTE programs. All ACTE Excellence Awards are presented at the ACTE Awards Gala in conjunction with Virtual VISION. Meet our finalists

SynED Named Business-Education Partnership Award Winner

ACTE recently announced synED as the ACTE Business-Education Partnership Award winner. SynED's work in conjunction with Canyon Springs High School at Moreno Valley Unified School District in Moreno Valley, California to help build a skilled and prepared workforce of high school students was a driving factor and example of their exemplary work that led to their award recognition. Read more

Joseph P. Dragone Named Champion for CTE Winner

ACTE is pleased to announce the ACTE Champion for CTE: Joseph P. Dragone, Ph.D., senior executive officer at Capital Region BOCES in Albany, New York. The ACTE Champion for CTE award recognizes education leaders, business and industry executives, and thought leaders who support and champion CTE programs as a vital part of developing a prepared, adaptable and competitive workforce. Read more

Michigan Student Wins ACTE National Student Trophy Design Contest

ACTE recently announced Sara Tatreau, a Kent Career Tech Center recent graduate, as the national student trophy design winner in its fifth annual student trophy design contest. In addition to having her design used to create this year's trophies, Tatreau will receive a \$1,000 scholarship and Kent Career Tech Center will receive a free one-year lease of a 3D printer, courtesy of Stratasys, Ltd. Meet Sara Tatreau



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