Greetings Region V Members!

We are less than two months away from the premier CTE event of the year, CareerTech VISION 2020 which this year is virtual. Virtual VISION 2020 will be 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!

Highlights are:

- Engaging keynote speakers: Sarita Maybin, an international speaker and communication expert who focuses on positivity, constructively confronting tough communication challenges and working together better as well as the author of the bestseller, (Re)Defining the Goal, Dr. Kevin Fleming
- An information-packed agenda with 300+ 30-minute concurrent sessions covering innovations in the time of COVID-19
- Gather in the reimagined online Expo primed to feature an abundance of resources and gamification activities with up to date leaderboard

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.

Other Region V news that I want to highlight are listed below:

Region V Business Meeting
The Region V Business meeting will be on Thursday, Nov. 19 at 4:00 p.m. MST. Mark your calendar to participate in the annual business meeting of your region. 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.

VISION State Leadership Meeting
The traditional State Leadership Breakfast where the QAS are presented will this year be the State Leadership Meeting which will be on Friday, Dec. 4 from 9:00–10:00 a.m. MST during Virtual VISION.

Region V Virtual Conference
There will be a Virtual Region V Conference on Oct. 29, hosted by Nevada in place of the traditional April Conference. Corinne Hoisington is the keynote speaker. Click here for information and registration.

2021 Region V Leadership Conference
The Nevada Region V Conference planning team is preparing and planning a great experience for those who will be attending the Region V Leadership Conference in Lake Tahoe in April 14–17, 2021. Please read further down for more information.

I introduced you to the Region V Policy Committee in the August newsletter, so in this newsletter, I would like to introduce the Region V Committee Chairs. I so appreciate the work they do and thank them for their service in providing the leadership needed to accomplish the goals of Region V and ACTE.

This item was shared with me and I wanted to share it with you as I think it is very timely.

7 Ways to Practice Self-Care for Virtual Living

- Do not try to do everything at once.
- Maintain a routine as much as you can.
- Take time for your social, mental, and physical health.
- Set teaching hours while you are working remotely.
- Ask for help when needed.
• Do something to unwind after work.
• Make space for gratitude in your life.

Meet Your Region V Committee Chairs
If you are interested in being involved on the regional level, serving on a standing committee is one way to get started. All committees could use additional members and one of our goals is to have all states represented. Where do your interests and talents lie? Please feel free to contact any of the following committee chairs and offer your help.

Awards Committee Chair: Shani Watkins — Washington
Position/Job Description: Director, West Sound Technical Skills Center

Legislative and Resolutions Committee Chair: Tim Knue — Washington
Position/Job Description: Washington ACTE Executive Director

Marketing/Membership Chair: Maggie Cox — Nevada
Position/Job Description: Desert Pines High School Medical Magnet Instructor

Nominating Committee Chair: Dodie Bemis — South Dakota
Position/Job Description: South Dakota ACTE Executive Director

Support Our Region V Award Winners
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 promote and expand CTE programs. All ACTE Excellence Awards are presented at the ACTE Awards Gala in conjunction with Virtual VISION. Meet our finalists

Congratulations to our Region V Award Candidates.

• Postsecondary Teacher of the Year: Nicole Hampton - Arizona
• New Teacher of the Year: Lori Merrill - Arizona
• **Lifetime Achievement**: Lisa Doll - Arizona
• **Teacher Educator of the Year**: Carol Erwin - Nebraska
• **Teacher of the Year**: Kitti Wheeler - Washington
• **Career Guidance**: Nora Zollweg - Washington
• **Administrator of the Year**: Aron Schmidt - Arizona
• **Community Service Award**: Rachel Aszklar - Washington

The ACTE Excellence Awards Gala is **Thursday, Dec. 3, from noon–1:00 p.m. EST**. The Awards Gala is part of your registration this year. We have traditionally had at least one national winner from Region V. Let us be online to support our outstanding Region V candidates!

Good luck candidates!

**Meet our finalists**

**Region V State Updates**

**California**
New Tech High School teacher Lisa Gottfried’s Digital Design class in Napa is an award-winning program. They recently won the “Best In” Award for the Napa Lighted Art Project. Her students create original artwork and sound design, and the final piece was projected on a 70-foot wall in Napa over the course of a week, alongside the work of professional artists. Her students benefited by working with mentors from the UK on projection arts, developers, marketing and education professionals from Adobe, and leaders from the Napa Parks & Recreation. Each student who participated had the thrill of being part of a nationally recognized project that entertained people from Napa and visitors from around the world for an entire week.

**Nevada**
NACTE is pleased to announce the hiring of new Executive Director Chris Whitney. President this year is Maggie Cox, Medical Program teacher from Desert Pines High School. NACTE now has five open board positions and the election process will be announced to the membership soon.
Maggie Cox and Fran Bromely have been participating in leadership development through the ACTE 2020 Fellowship Program and Jen Fisk finished participating in a Region V Fellowship that resulted in her election to the Region V Policy Board.

**2021 Region V Hall of Fame Nominations**

Please consider nominating a worthy individual from your state for the Region V Hall of Fame. Purpose: Recognize the contributions and distinguished accomplishments of those persons who have been identified with the work and purposes of Region V.

Nominations are due **Feb. 1, 2021**.

More information can be accessed [here](#).

**Region V Leadership Conference: 20/20 Perfect Vision for CTE**

Nevada ACTE is looking forward to hosting all our western friends in Lake Tahoe this **April 14-17, 2021**.

**2021 REGION V CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS**

Due to the cancellation of the in-person conference in 2020, Nevada ACTE will reach out to the original presenters to determine if they would like to present in-person during the 2021 ACTE Region Leadership Conference. After that information is determined, a second Call for Presentations may be posted.

**2021 REGION V ROOM RATES**

Room reservations are not available at this time. The room rates for Harveys Lake Tahoe will be $102 per night, which includes the resort fees.
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!

**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

Stay safe and best regards,
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