Greetings ACTE T/I Division!

I hope this finds you in good health and high spirits. I was very excited to meet many of you at VISIÓN last month. I hope all of you who were able to attend had a great experience and were able to take away some valuable information from the conference. I was excited to see the great representation of T/I-related booths there.

As I stated in past newsletters, I am really looking forward to meeting and working with you during my term as vice president. With that being said, be on the lookout in the near future for some incredible opportunities for you to help me in building an even greater division than we have now.

I am also actively looking for great stories to feature in this newsletter. If you or someone you know is doing great things in the T/I division, please send me information on what this person is doing, so we can spotlight them here.

Speaking of spotlights, I would like to congratulate Amanda Eastridge for winning T/I Teacher of the Year as well as ACTE Teacher of the Year. Congratulations are also in order for Michael Jackson for earning a Lifetime Service Award.
ACTE has designed special Zoom meeting virtual backgrounds for each ACTE division and region. Click the image to download yours today!

Meet a New Construction Partner

As a workforce development initiative and consultancy that builds reachable opportunities through construction, ConstructReach partners with schools, counselors, and educators to expose students to career pathways within the industry while providing tiered offerings to support them every step of the way. Services include access to their flagship “I Built This” events, internship resources, virtual hiring events, and more. Driven by an inspiring mission, ConstructReach helps schools across the country become strong advocates for diversity and inclusion in construction, create hands-on learning and character-development experiences for students, and connect their students to internship and job opportunities.
ACTE Announces Board of Directors 2021 Election Results

ACTE is pleased to announce the results of the recent election for several spots on its Board of Directors. The election was open to ACTE’s membership of roughly 25,000 educators, administrators and other
CTE professionals. The following members were elected:

- Scott Stone, President-elect
- Shani Watkins, Region V Vice President
- Robert Torres, Agricultural Education Division Vice President
- Holly Strand-Rysgaard, Health Science Education Division Vice President
- Beth Parks, Region II Vice President-elect
- Brandon Russell, Region III Vice President-elect
- Susan Leon, New and Related Services Division Vice President-elect

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**Influence CTE Federal Policy Priorities at NPS!**

Voice your CTE needs to help shape education policy priorities under the new administration, learn about strategies for influencing federal policy related to CTE advocacy and messaging, and participate in virtual Capitol Hill and school visits. Happening the week of **Feb. 22**, in concert with your CTE Month awareness-building activities, ACTE's virtual National Policy Seminar 2021 will feature an official welcome from the new administration.

Learn more and register
Missed Virtual VISION 2020?
ACTE’s CareerTech Virtual VISION 2020 featured live keynote presentations and hundreds of sessions, covering CTE innovations, timely topics and specific CTE subject-matter areas. Conference materials and sessions are now available for 24/7 on-demand viewing at your convenience at regular attendee rates. Enjoy premier professional development via full access to all Virtual VISION sessions! Register now

Mark your calendars for VISION 2021, a hybrid event with programming available online and on-site, Dec. 1–4 in New Orleans, Louisiana. Call for presentation proposals will open in February.

New CTE Learning Webinar Series
Beginning this month, join us as we showcase some of the best professional learning opportunities for CTE personnel. Each free webinar is 30 minutes and will feature experts covering topics, such as professional learning communities, developing employability skills in CTE and more.

Learn more and join us

Raise Awareness for CTE
Join us in February to celebrate and spread awareness about the importance of CTE for our students and our nation’s economy with several outreach opportunities:
• Encourage your students to participate in this year’s CTE Month-NASA HUNCH student video challenge, “Advancing Space Exploration Through Manufacturing.” The deadline to submit videos is April 1.
• Share our social media messages all month long or your own success stories on social media via #CTEMonth.
• Gear up with festive CTE Month merchandise at shopacte.com to show your support for CTE.
• Advocate for CTE — use ACTE tools to assist you in your advocacy activities, keep you informed and promote ongoing support for CTE.
• Download the CTE Month logo for use with any of your print and digital outreach.

New Hybrid Work-based Learning Conference
Learn about best practices in work-based learning from across the country at ACTE’s National & Iowa’s Annual Hybrid Work-based Learning Conference, which will offer on-site and online programming. Interested in presenting? Submit your presentation proposal by Feb. 5 for consideration.

Learn more and register
Apply for ACTE’s Achieve 100 Award

Showcase your institution's dedication and commitment to CTE! Schools and institutions that achieve 100% ACTE membership across their CTE staff and faculty will receive this distinguished award. Complete the online application by Feb. 1 to participate and recognize your educators!

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