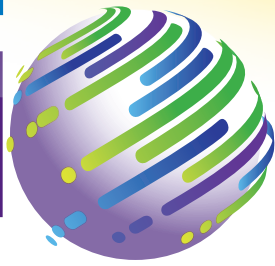


ACTE's CareerTech

VISION



2023



INSPIRE & ENERGIZE YOUR PEERS IN CTE

By Lia Milgram

“This is my first time attending ACTE’s CareerTech VISION, and I have been so impressed,” commented Lisa Roether, an attendee from Louisiana. “The conference has far exceeded my expectations. I’m excited to return to school to implement many ideas.”

VISION 2023 took place in Phoenix, Arizona, Nov. 29–Dec. 2. And oh, what fun we had! ACTE’s premier annual conference attracted thousands of secondary and postsecondary educators, business leaders and industry professionals from across the country. Attendees left our opening and closing general sessions, from Morris Morrison and Jon Petz, feeling energized and inspired to take on high-quality career and technical education (CTE).

Energized! Inspired! These are two of many great words that attendees, board members and staff have used to describe the VISION experience. With hundreds of concurrent sessions and networking opportunities, the Awards Gala, Wednesday workshops and tours, the CareerTech Expo, and more, VISION offers something for everyone. We think it’s the best week of the year to work in CTE.

“As a new director of career and technical education, I have been welcomed into the community with open arms,” said Lindsey McCormick, an attendee from Maryland. “The opportunity to inspire students and staff to pursue their strengths and interests is amazing.”

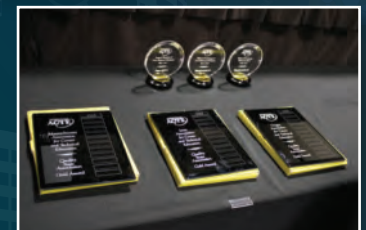
Moments before delivering the closing keynote address at VISION 2023, Jon Petz spoke to social media followers about the importance of CTE and organizations like ACTE. “Career and technical education schools — like the one in my hometown, Delaware Area Career Center — help students advance their knowledge and grow their professional opportunities,” he said. “And it’s amazing that we’ve got a professional association like ACTE to help educators help students learn and grow.”

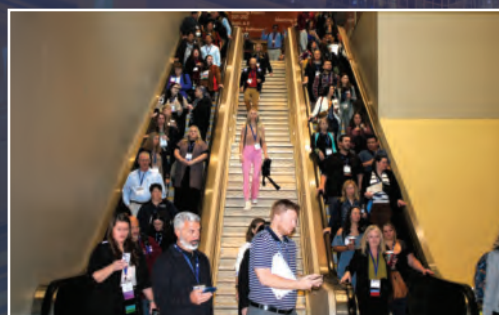
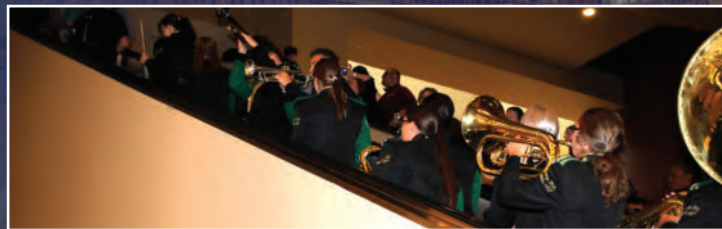
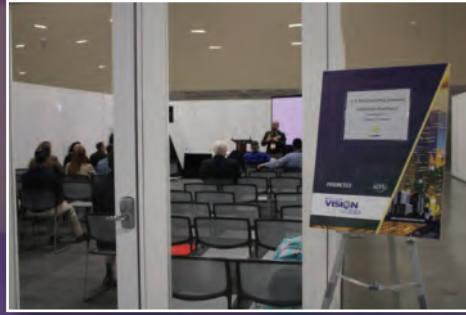
“Students matter most. It is important to see them, to provide opportunities to speak their truth, and to meet them where they are in their learning journey.”

– Andrea C.



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“Thank you, colleagues of CTE. You offer opportunities for transformational change and give students an aspirational growth mindset.”

– Bob M.

ACTE'S AWARDS CELEBRATE EXCELLENCE IN CTE.



2024 ACTE Administrator of the Year
Rod Belnap



2024 ACTE Counseling and Career Development Professional Award
Kristina Guy



2024 ACTE Lifetime Achievement Award
Jan Jardine



2024 ACTE New Teacher of the Year
Mindy E. Lyle



2024 ACTE Postsecondary Professional of the Year
Ashlee E. Spannagel



2024 ACTE Teacher Educator of the Year
Laura Van Waardhuizen



2024 ACTE Teacher of the Year
Aris Pangilinan



2024 Carl Perkins Community Service Award
Robby Branscum



2024 Champion for CTE Award
Jerry Farley



2024 Business-education Partnership Award
The Don Wood Foundation



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REGIONAL AWARD WINNERS & NATIONAL FINALISTS

REGION I

Administrator of the Year: Richard Kincaid
Counseling and Career Development Professional Award: Lindy Daman
Lifetime Achievement Award: Scott Westenberg
New Teacher of the Year: Josephine Wolfe
Postsecondary Professional of the Year: Lisa Pierce-Burger
Teacher Educator of the Year: Crystal Smith
Teacher of the Year: Aris Pangilinan
Carl Perkins Community Service Award: Deanna Burch

REGION II

Administrator of the Year: Tyra Pilgrim
Counseling and Career Development Professional Award: Kelly Michelle Hoff
Lifetime Achievement Award: James E. Bartlett, II
New Teacher of the Year: Clifton Williams
Postsecondary Professional of the Year: Angela Gott
Teacher Educator of the Year: Elaine Adams
Teacher of the Year: Karen L. Roberts
Carl Perkins Community Service Award: Alicia D. Jordan

REGION III

Administrator of the Year: Troy Haugen
Counseling and Career Development Professional Award: Gena Gesing
Lifetime Achievement Award: Sandra Miller
New Teacher of the Year: Becky Cronk
Postsecondary Professional of the Year: Ashlee E. Spannagel
Teacher Educator of the Year: Laura Van Waardhuizen
Teacher of the Year: Pamela Koenen
Carl Perkins Community Service Award: Paul Aarsvold

REGION IV

Administrator of the Year: Kady Donaghey
Counseling and Career Development Professional Award: Merrilee Saige-Alvarez
Lifetime Achievement Award: Nina Morgan
New Teacher of the Year: Mindy E. Lyle
Postsecondary Professional of the Year: Patricia Edmunds
Teacher Educator of the Year: Bonner Slayton
Teacher of the Year: Karen Upton
Carl Perkins Community Service Award: Robby Branscum

REGION V

Administrator of the Year: Rod Belnap
Counseling and Career Development Professional Award: Kristina Guy
Lifetime Achievement Award: Jan Jardine
New Teacher of the Year: McKayla Gonder Plewe
Postsecondary Professional of the Year: Justin Brereton
Teacher Educator of the Year: Lisa Krumwiede
Teacher of the Year: Jason T. Goble
Carl Perkins Community Service Award: Kip Hansen

“I became a CTE teacher after being inspired by my high school business teacher. She cared so deeply about me and my future. Thank you, Mrs. Walker!”

– Alyssa A.

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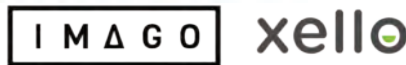
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“I am a role model for students. I chose to teach in CTE because our classes drive our students to stay in school. Give them a goal, and they will reach it! Give them hands-on learning opportunities, and they will thank you for it!”

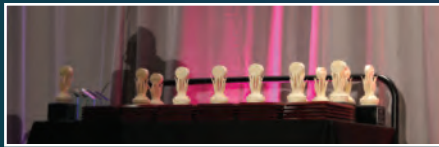
– Rudy A.

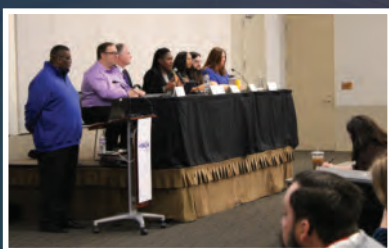
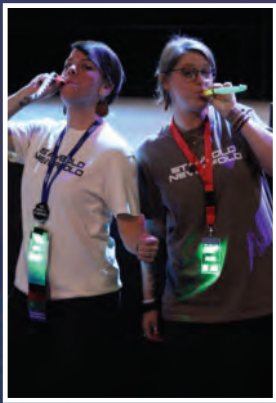
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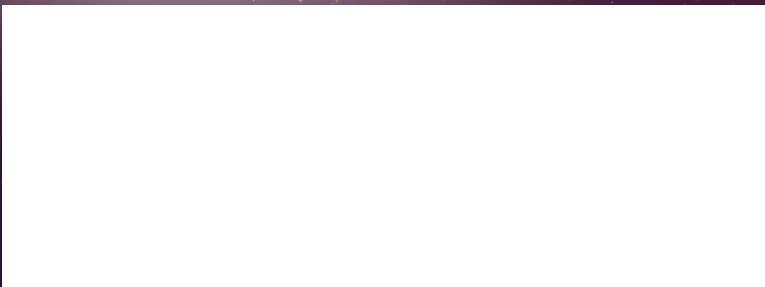
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- Emotional intelligence defines excellence in CTE
- A global focus
- VISION 2023 left attendees feeling inspired and energized
- Teaching integrity
- Great teachers make high-quality CTE excellent



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