



ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION DIVISION



Connecting Education and Careers

Hello ETED members,

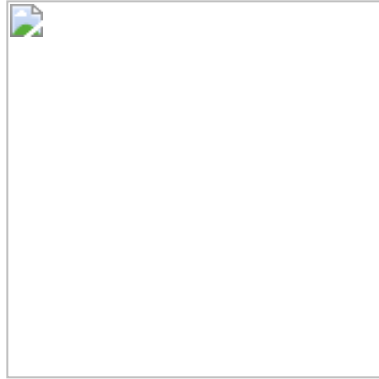
Welcome to another unpredictable school year. Who would have thought the uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic would continue into the 2021-22 school year? It seems the one certainty we can count on is that things may never be “normal” again. We are creating a new “normal” almost every day as the pandemic continues to wreak havoc on our lives.

I have witnessed first-hand the remarkable teaching career and technical education (CTE) professionals have continued to provide as we navigate ever-changing demands of education in a pandemic. While policies vary from state to state, one thing remains the same: Together, we continue to provide high-quality programs to prepare students for the constantly evolving workplace. The eTED division would like to recognize the efforts of members across the country who are making a difference and impacting students' lives. Sadly, no one has been nominated for our division awards. In order to recognize member achievements, the awards deadline has been extended to **Sept. 30**. Please take some time to nominate a worthy colleague as I know great instruction and partnerships have been delivered this past year.

Please read below for additional opportunities available through your ACTE membership.

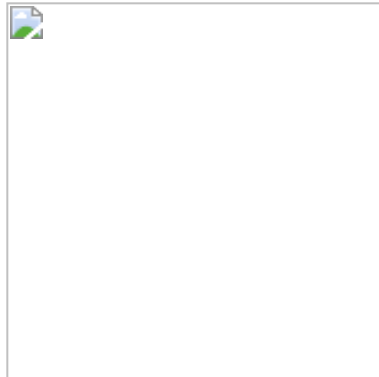
Early Bird Rates Extended to Aug. 31

The most important event for career and technical educators, ACTE's CareerTech VISION will provide unparalleled networking, inspiring keynote speakers,



[hundreds of concurrent program sessions](#) covering multiple CTE sectors and timely equity and access topics and innovations in CTE, an in-person Expo, and more. This year's event happens in New Orleans, Louisiana, **Dec. 1–4** and in-person rates include access to both in-person and virtual programming. Please note, the early bird rates have been extended to **Aug. 31**, so there's still time to secure the most affordable way to attend VISION! Not able to attend in-person? Join us virtually for a dynamic and specially curated content.

[Learn more and register](#)



Upcoming Webinars

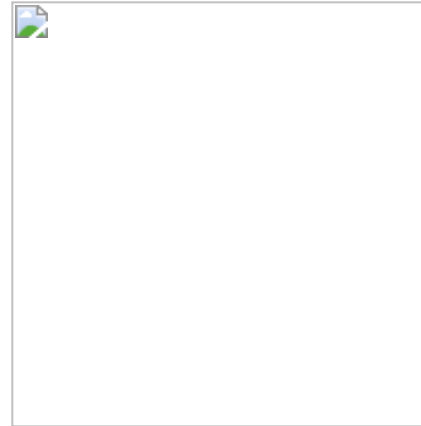
Mark your calendar for these upcoming free webinars, covering innovative best practices and inclusion, access, equity and diversity in CTE.

- Designing a College and Career Pathways System, sponsored by NC3T, on **Aug. 27 at 11:00 a.m. ET**
- Teaching Innovative CTE: Bringing Industry into Your Classroom with Real-world Projects & Skills on **Sept. 1 at noon ET**
- Making CTE Classrooms More Inclusive for LGBTQ+ Students on **Sept. 8 at 3:00 p.m. ET**
- Part 2: Confronting Isms in the Classroom on **Oct. 5 at 2:00 p.m. ET**

High-Quality CTE During COVID-19

Secondary schools and colleges are preparing to open their doors for the fall semester while navigating shifting guidelines for COVID-19. Refresh your plans and strategies for this school year with ACTE's COVID-19 resources:

- [*High-Quality CTE: Planning for a COVID-19-impacted School Year*](#): This guide, published in summer 2020, helps CTE stakeholders identify the key considerations, guiding questions and emerging best practices for delivering CTE during COVID-19 across all the elements of high-quality CTE. It was accompanied by a webinar series sharing ideas from the field.
- [*High-quality CTE During COVID-19: Challenges and Innovations*](#): This report, published in March 2021, describes challenges for delivering CTE during COVID-19, shares examples of innovative practices, and provides recommendations for how CTE leaders can better prepare the post-COVID-19 workforce and embrace lessons learned during the pandemic.
- [*High-quality CTE During COVID-19: Leveraging Federal Relief Funds at the Local Level*](#): Published in May 2021, this paper provides an overview of federal relief funds and suggests how CTE programs can benefit from these critical resources.
- [*CTE Distance Learning Lesson Plans*](#): These publications from the California Department of Education's Career and College Transition Division, CTEOnline.org, the San Diego County Office of Education's Office of College and Career Readiness, and ACTE highlight lesson plans,



webinars and resources for remote learning across multiple sectors.



New CTE Learn Courses

Be sure to check out the following latest additions to the growing collection of 170+ CTE Learn courses at www.ctelearn.org:

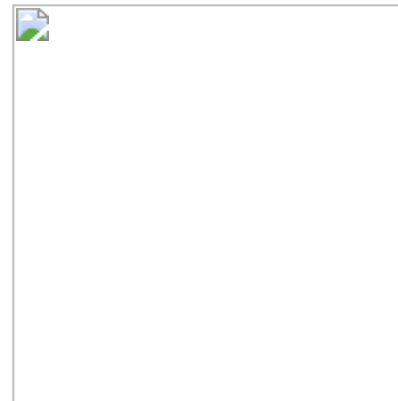
- [Creating Work-Based Learning Programs](#)
- [HQ101— CTE High-quality Framework: Standards-aligned and Integrated Curriculum](#)
- [Integrating Career Readiness Into Your Courses: Part II](#)
- [Introduction to Positive Psychology for Educators](#)
- [Leveraging Community Resources to Energize CTE Programs](#)

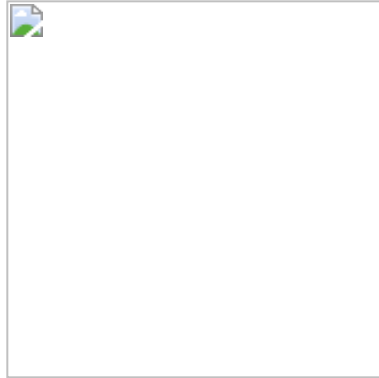
[Learn more](#)

Event Especially for CTE Leaders

Don't miss the gathering of CTE leaders at ACTE's and NCLA's Best Practices and Innovations in CTE Conference, taking place **Sept. 29–Oct. 1** in Austin, Texas. This year's event features an [information-packed agenda of 28 sessions and 16 roundtables](#) along with distinguished keynote speakers Rachael Mann, Joyce Malyn-Smith and Michael Bettersworth.

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eTED members should also know there is always a place available for those who are interested in becoming more involved with division activities. Serving at the national level is important for improving high-quality CTE programs on a larger scale impacting student success across the nation. Our work is worthy and it is important. Please [contact me](#) to find out more information about opportunities to serve and lead within the division.

In closing, I hope you are well-rested and ready to tackle another unpredictable school year. I am looking forward to connecting with members at VISION 2021, whether in person or online. Take care and know that we are in this together.

Kind regards,

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