



Dear Region II ACTE members,

Martin Luther King, Jr. is credited with saying "We must accept finite disappointment, but we must never lose infinite hope." I don't know the circumstances under which he said this, but I believe it's an appropriate way to kick off this fall newsletter as it's very applicable to our current environment. While school is well underway, it looks much different this year than in years past! Instead of engaging in CTSO competitions and gearing up for fellowship with family and friends during the winter holidays, many of us are wondering when we can resume those activities. Everyone has experienced some disappointment this year, but we have much to be hopeful for!

I'm excited to share a video that might instill some hope! Watch as Region II's 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 **Oct. 9–23** and share this happy video on your social media to be entered into a drawing for 10 \$15 gift cards!

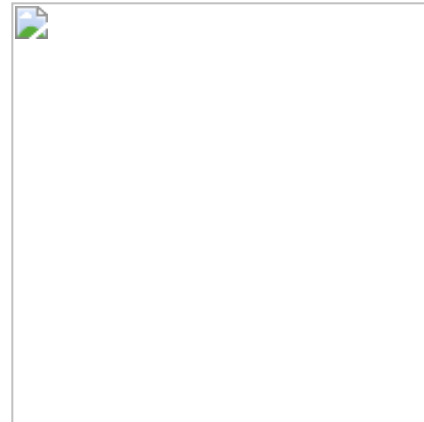


REGION II CONFERENCE UPDATE

Congratulations goes out to South Carolina ACTE who executed a wonderful virtual conference! With little warning, South Carolina had to shift to a virtual conference.

Here's a list of our Region II Award Winners:

- **Teacher of the Year** – Luke Riddle, South Carolina
- **New Teacher of the Year** – Kaitlin VanHeusen, Florida
- **Counseling and Career Development Professional of the Year** – Brian Elliott, North Carolina
- **Administrator of the Year** – Chris Bailey, North Carolina
- **Postsecondary Teacher of the Year** – Kimberly Mitchell, Alabama
- **Teacher Educator of the Year** – Dale Layfield, South Carolina

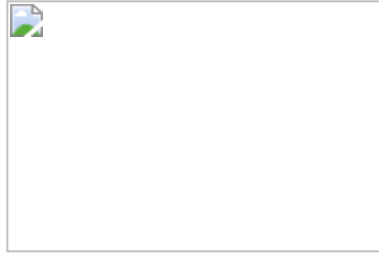


- **Carl Perkins Community Service Award** – Tammy Camel, Kentucky
- **Lifetime Achievement Award** – Judith Sams, Virginia

In addition to these ACTE Awards, Alabama was recognized for the second year in a row for having the highest percentage increase in membership last year with 7.6% growth! Also, the following 12 first-time attendees were selected to receive a registration to this year's Region II conference:

- Carington Faulk, Virginia
- Cody Mooneyhan, Kentucky
- Caryn Parks, Georgia
- Kaitlin VanHeusen, Florida
- Jodi Adams, Kentucky
- Paul Harwart, Georgia
- Saecilia Jackson, Georgia
- Jeff Jones, Kentucky
- Montana Jones, Kentucky
- Toinette Outland, Virginia
- Jake Prokop, Florida
- Amy White, North Carolina

If the school year has you dreaming about travel this time next year, Tennessee is in the planning process for the Region II conference. More information will be shared at the next Region II Business meeting which will occur virtually on **Nov. 19!**
(Scroll down to learn more and RSVP.)



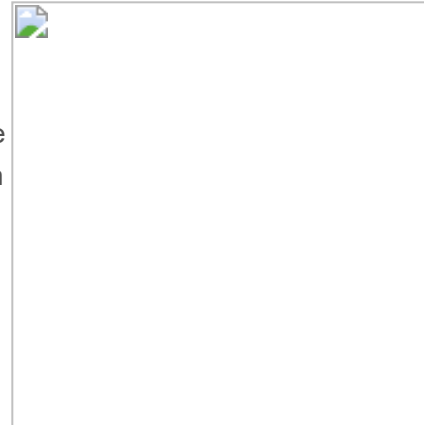
REGION II ON SOCIAL MEDIA

The Social Media Committee has taken over the Region II Facebook group. To join and engage, visit us on [Facebook](#).

Region II is also on [Twitter](#), so give us a follow @ACTERegionII and be sure to tag us with exciting and creative things from your program or state so we can retweet and spread the word!

Engage, Gather & Learn at VISION

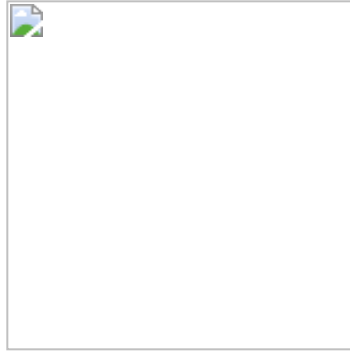
ACTE is excited to offer Virtual VISION 2020 on a dynamic virtual platform, bringing you [hundreds of sessions](#) in a mixture of live-streamed, simulive and on-demand formats, all of which you will be able to access post-event! Happening **Nov. 30–Dec. 4**, Virtual VISION will offer immersive and expanded 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

RSVP for Region II 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



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](#)

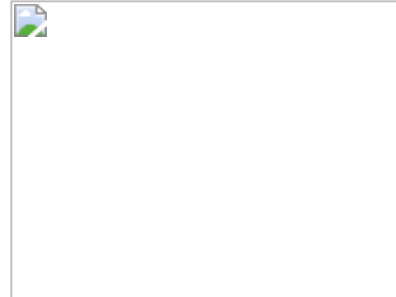
Michigan Student Wins ACTE National Student Trophy Design Contest

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](#)

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](#)





New Student Video Contest: Advancing Space Exploration Through Manufacturing

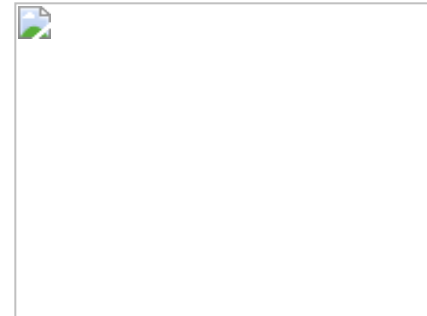
ACTE, host of CTE Month®, and NASA HUNCH are excited to once again collaborate on the 2020–21 student video challenge, showcasing CTE and project-based learning programs in high-demand career fields on earth and in space. This year's theme is "Advancing Space Exploration Through Manufacturing" and encompasses 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](#)

Verify Your Membership by Nov. 4 to Vote!

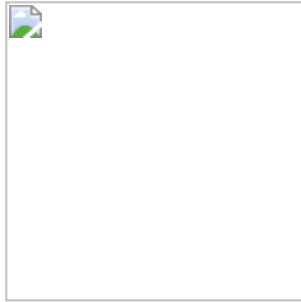
The 2021 ACTE board of directors election will be held this year **Dec. 4–Jan. 4!** Please mark your calendars to reflect the election schedule below:

- 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](#)

I look forward to seeing many of you during the Region II business meeting at the VISION Conference. Put this time and date on your calendar, as the business meeting will occur on Wednesday, **Nov. 19, at 3:00 p.m. CT, 4:00 p.m. EST**. Additional information about this will come soon. If you can't attend, watch for updates on the Region II Facebook Page and on our Twitter page!



Sincerely,
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