CARL PERKINS
COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Purpose
This award recognizes an individual who has significantly utilized Career and Technical Education (CTE) to impact their community positively and demonstrated leadership through programs and activities that promote student involvement, community service, and service-learning.

Eligibility
All candidates must be either current or retired postsecondary, secondary, or middle school-level Career and Technical Education (CTE) teachers or school counselors directly responsible for the community service/service-learning event. Candidates must be members of their state ACTE for consideration at the state level. State winners must be national ACTE members by March 1 to be considered at the regional level.

Criteria
Candidates will be evaluated on the following criteria:
1) Contributions to student success
2) Innovations in CTE
3) Leadership in the local or greater CTE community

All candidates must demonstrate at least one best practice in CTE as outlined in the High-Quality CTE Framework to be eligible for the award.
For more information on how nominations will be scored, please see the ACTE Member Awards Scoring Rubric.

Nomination Requirements
Each nomination must include the following (incomplete nominations will not be considered):
1) Description of Candidate's Qualifications for the Award
2) One (1) Letter of Support
3) Professional Photo/Headshot (5x7, 200 DPI JPEG)
4) Interview (at regional and national levels)

Description of Candidate's Qualifications for the Award (1500 words total – 16 pts per question) *No Links to more information are allowed.
1) How has the candidate demonstrated leadership and impact in Career and Technical Education (CTE) through community service? (Ex. Partnerships with business or community groups; spearheading community service initiatives, etc. (**500 words max – 16 points)**
2) How has the candidate demonstrated innovation in furthering student learning through community service? (Ex. improvements implemented to programs or institutions through community service; creative or cutting-edge practices implemented in service projects) (**500 words max – 16 points)**
3) Referring to specific indicators in the High-Quality CTE Framework, cite and describe how the candidate's efforts have positively impacted the students, the school, and the broader community through sustained and meaningful community service activities. (Ex. CTSO's, Experiential Learning, Business, and Community Partnerships) (**500 words max – 16 points)**

Letter of Support
Each nomination should include one letter of support that recommends the candidate for the above areas. Please submit a letter from one of the following: a supervisor, a parent/guardian, a student, an employee, or a community leader.

Professional Photo/Headshot
Each nomination should include a professional photo or headshot of the candidate. The image should be submitted as a 5x7, 200 DPI JPEG file. The photo will be used on the corporate website and at the VISION awards gala. (*Note: Photographs will be used for publicity purposes only*.)

Interview (for regional and national awards) (4 questions – 18 points each - 72/120 Total)
Candidates selected for regional consideration may undergo a brief interview with their regional awards committee in the spring. All national finalists will have an on-camera interview with the national awards committee in the fall. Candidates will be notified of the interview schedule and process after their nomination is submitted. No props are allowed during the interview.

Nominations should be submitted electronically on the ACTE Awards Portal by **your state's deadline.** Candidates for the ACTE Excellence Awards may nominate themselves or be nominated by a third party. States must choose and submit their winners for regional consideration by **March 1. The ACTE Awards Committee will select national winners**. Regional and national winners will be recognized at the ACTE Awards Banquet during CareerTech VISION. *Winning candidates permit ACTE to use and edit the application's content for promotional activities. Non-winning candidates may be re-nominated for the same or another Excellence Award the following year. Winning candidates at the national level may not be nominated for the same or another national ACTE Excellence Award within three years of their win.*

Are you the best in CTE? • Do you know someone who is?
To learn more and submit a nomination, visit www.acteonline.org/awards