



Hello Region I Members,

I hope you're doing well and getting settled into the new school year. As we gear-up for the [CareerTech Virtual VISION Conference](#), I wanted to share some important Region I updates with you. I hope you can join us for this exciting event this year which brings together career and technical education (CTE) professionals from across the country to share innovative ideas and best practices.

We hope you can also join us for our ACTE Region 1 Business Meeting on **Friday, Nov. 20**, from 2:00–3:00 p.m. EST.

I also hope you've started to think about someone you can nominate for a Region 1 Best in CTE Award. The application link is located on the [ACTE Region I website](#) and applications are due **Oct. 30**. This is a great opportunity to showcase a CTE professional in your state who deserves of one of these awards.

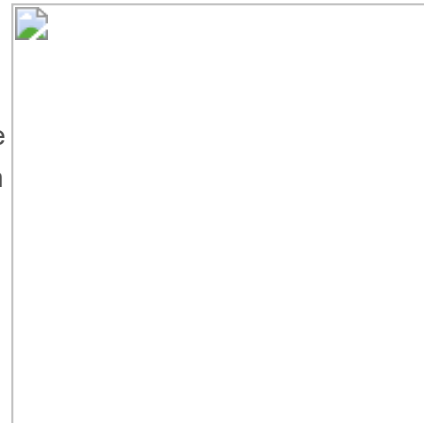
We also hope you can join us for our Region I Conference in Grand Rapids, Michigan, **April 21–23**. Our conference planning committee has been working hard to plan this event, so please save the date and join us this spring.



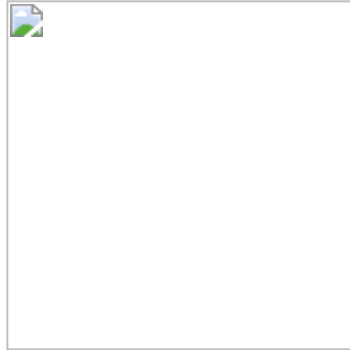
Watch as Kimberly Wilson, ACTE’s 2020 Teacher of the Year, and this year’s ACTE Excellence Award Finalists share their love of CTE! Love this video?! Watch ACTE’s social media channels — [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) — from now through **Oct. 23** and share this happy video (along with another one!) on your social media to be entered into a drawing for 10 \$15 gift cards! Bring your virtual glitz and glam to the ACTE Awards Gala at Virtual VISION, happening **Nov. 30–Dec. 4**, to help us recognize those individuals and organizations, who have made extraordinary contributions to CTE. Don’t forget, the member advance rate of only \$250 ends **Oct. 23!**

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, simulative 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

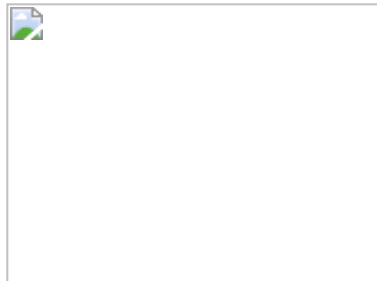


RSVP for Region I Business Meeting

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

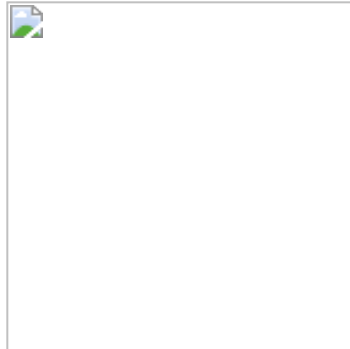
ACTE recently announced Sara Tatreau, a Kent Career Tech Center recent graduate, as the national student trophy design winner in its fifth annual student trophy design contest. In addition to having her design used to create this year's trophies, Tatreau will receive a \$1,000 scholarship and Kent Career Tech Center will receive a free one-year lease of a 3D printer, courtesy of Stratasy, 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](#)



Innovation in CTE

ACTE is looking for innovation at the forefront of CTE. The innovation definition for the purpose of ACTE's work on this project is: Something new or unique utilized at the CTE program level which improves conditions for student learning, teacher practice or other facets of the CTE experience. Please submit any innovative concepts for ACTE to develop into best practices content to [Megan Kmiotek](#).

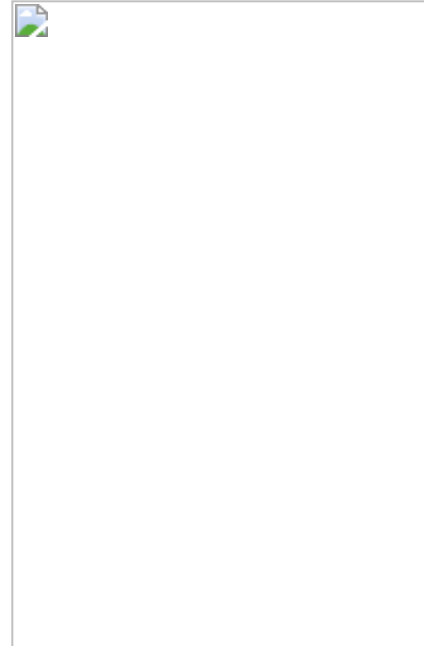
New Resource for CTSO Students

Rachael Mann, author of *The CTSO Competition Companion*, offers CTSO students specific components of winning strategies and approaches in this easy-to-read book, covering such topics as:

- How to excel in competitions and win at life
- Building skills that will open doors and opportunities
- How to prepare for unknown variables and predict worst-case scenarios

The complementary book launch webinar, featuring the author and some of the book's guest voices, can be viewed [here](#). Member price is \$19.95.

Purchase your copy



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

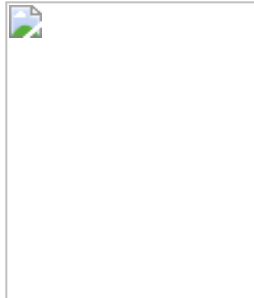
Verify Your Membership by Nov. 4 to Vote!

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



Stay safe, and I hope to see you all during ACTE's Virtual VISION!
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