



Hello Region IV,

I hope this message finds you safe and healthy in this unique time in our country. I would normally be sharing information on my travels, but the ACTE National Policy Seminar was cancelled and the Region IV Conference has been postponed. After much consideration, we have decided to move forward with a virtual Region IV Leadership Conference happening **May 21** (additional information is included below).

This is my final newsletter as the Region IV Vice President. I want to thank you for allowing me to represent you for the past three years. I will transition out of service on **June 30**. I have enjoyed meeting ACTE members throughout our region and our nation. I have made many professional contacts and forged lasting friendships throughout this opportunity. I also want to thank LeAnn Wilson and her staff for the support and guidance throughout my tenure.

One of my goals as Region IV Vice President was to focus on professional development for our membership. ACTE has provided premier professional learning experiences to help teachers, counselors and administrators enhance their skills and continue to build partnerships with all stakeholders in the education of our future workforce.

ACTE is also focused on student success through CTE and workforce training. In response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, ACTE is offering a one-day virtual National Work-based Learning Conference happening **April 22**. This conference will focus on giving today's students quality experiences for informed futures.

Another goal was to recognize excellence and leadership development. Region IV will continue to recognize individuals who make extraordinary contributions to the field, programs that exemplify the highest standards and organizations that improve and expand programs. Our regional nominees will be interviewing virtually, and the Region award winners will be announced soon.

I would like to thank you for all the great opportunities you have given me as Region IV Vice President. I have enjoyed working with you and for you. I hope to see you soon. Please let me know if I can be of assistance during this transition.

[Learn more](#)

## ACTE Region IV Leadership Conference — Now Virtual!

At a time when community is more important than ever, the ACTE Region IV Leadership event is now available as a one-day virtual conference and interactive platform. Tune in on **Thursday, May 21**, for live presentations, breakout sessions and interactive content covering emerging trends in delivering online CTE and digital learning. Region IV educators will share how they are continuing to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic to meet the needs of their students, staff and communities. The agenda will be posted soon, and the cost to participate is \$125. [Learn more](#)



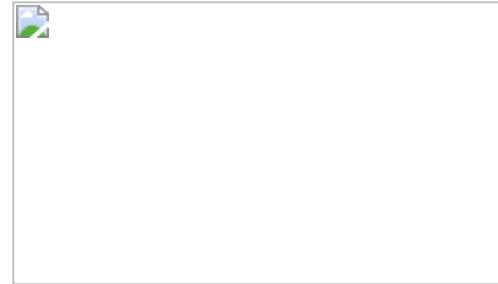
### COVID-19 Online & Distance Learning Resources Growing

ACTE continues to update its compilation of online and distance learning resources that can supplement your school's official guidance and also includes information on how to access six free courses to prepare educators to teach online via CTE Learn.

[Read more](#)

## CTE in a Time of Uncertainty

View the collection of ACTE division webinars focused on the current state of CTE, promising practices in the era of COVID-19 and engaging conversations with experts in the field.



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ACCESS,  
EQUITY &  
DIVERSITY**

## Access & Equity Ideas & Resources

ACTE is calling for content and your participation to showcase our collective dedication to Inclusion, Access, Equity and Diversity (IAED) by:

- Contributing resources to and submitting IAED speaker names for inclusion on the ACTE IAED website
- Recommending ideas for the IAED column that will be included in the 2020-2021 *Techniques* editorial cycle
- Referencing the Access and Equity element in the Quality CTE Program of Study Framework and encouraging your CTE colleagues to follow suit

- [Signing up to be a part of ACTE's IAED Advisory Group](#)

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### [Deadline Extended for Student Trophy Design Contest](#)

With many teachers adjusting to delivering instruction in an online environment, we have extended the deadline for the student trophy design contest to **June 30**. The winning trophy design will be 3D-printed by Stratasys and presented to the 10 national award winners at the 2020 ACTE Awards Gala on **Dec. 2** in Nashville, Tennessee. [Learn more](#)



### [Impact Awards — Deadline Extended](#)

The ACTE Impact Awards recognize groups and individuals from the education, business and industry communities who contribute to the improvement, promotion and development of CTE. The deadline to apply for these two awards, the Business-Education Partnership Award and the Champion for CTE Award, has also been extended to **June 30**. [Read more](#)

### [Boutique Event for CTE Administrators](#)

Happening **Oct. 7–9** in Cape Cod, North Falmouth, Massachusetts, ACTE's and NCLA's Best Practices and Innovations in CTE Conference will offer content-rich programming and networking to strengthen the field for CTE administrators of both secondary and postsecondary CTE programs and institutions. [Learn more](#)



### Early Bird Registration for CareerTech VISION 2020 is Open

The premier event for CTE professionals, ACTE's CareerTech VISION offers unparalleled professional development, comprehensive CTE secondary and postsecondary programming, and stories of successful education and business collaborations. This year's event happens **Dec. 2-5** at the Gaylord Opryland Resort & Convention Center in Nashville, Tennessee. [Register today](#)

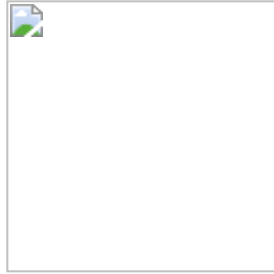
## Now Accepting Board Election Nominations

Interested in serving ACTE as a member of the Board of Directors? Applications for positions opened today and are due **June 15**. For more information, please see the guidelines for the Board of Directors nominations.



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