

ACTE Board Report

Region or Division: New and Related Services
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A. Strategic Plan

Provide the link to the Multi-year Strategic Planning Worksheet. Share any additional information about the implementation of the Strategic Plan you would like about the following:

- Successes you have had
- Support you still need

Link: [Multi-year Strategic Plan for NRS Division](#)

We are still utilizing the tracking document for Section Leads to track measurable goals that are aligned to the strategic plan. This is ongoing, and reissued each quarter at our policy meetings.

B. Contributions to Region and Division Members

Please remember the importance of engagement of members during this time and let ACTE know how we can help engaging your members with you! Please also let us know how you have engaged ACTE members within the past 4 months. Indicate if the work falls under any of the Strategic Plan.

NRS Division VP

- Had meeting with Brian Cashman, who I am happy to announce is our new nominating chair.
- Michael Moriarty has moved to also be the section lead for Academic Integration. The team has mentioned combining the Tech Prep and Academic Integration Sections. This may come up early next year as a section change
- Looking ahead to have CTE Scholars be renamed and reimaged to something that aligns more with Teacher Educators, PD professionals and instructional coaches. This conversation is ongoing and will be led by the current CTE Scholars section lead
- Met with Kelli regarding section status, and potential new sections that might be coming
- Met with Dana prior to Division VP meetings (2) and facilitated both with Dana. Topics were VISION heavy, with many ACTE staff members attending the second meeting.
- VISION planning is in full swing!
- Co-division networking room from 10-2 on Friday is complete with F&B order. Each VP will be there for an hour
- Networking reception sponsored by Vector Solutions on Thursday night is being finalized. This will be a co-division event with WBL and NRS. We want to host 150 people with one drink ticket and heavy apps.
- Opening Session will be packed with awards, recognition, and Gibby Gibbons as our guest speaker on collective care.

ACTE Policy Committee, Dr. Jill Ranucci -

Attended nation ACTE By-laws committee meeting (September 6, 2024) and will meet after VISION. Notes from the meeting included By-Laws review as needed and will be reconciled by the end of the year. Our next meeting is scheduled for late January 2025. John will give a report at VISION in December. NRS policy meeting will be following VISION.

Nominating Committee, Brian Cashman

No report

Awards Committee, Sarah Grossi

Sarah worked hard to organize and post the awards this year. The awards window has closed, and we have at least one nominee in each category. Sarah will work with her team to vet the awards and order plaques. Each award winner receives a plaque, a card of congratulations, and a gift card.

Career Academies, Cheryl Carrier/Holly Strand-Rysgaard

Held two webinars for the Career Academy Section and invited Administrators Section and Work-Based Learning Sessions. Both were well attended. We appreciate the support by Jan Jardine who has been very willing to send out invites to the WBL Division and provide guidance on how to grow membership in the career academy section. We will be present at VISION and Ford NGL will be holding 4 career academy sessions. We have developed a plan for eight professional development sessions in 2025. In the 4th quarter, we will be offering two competitions to increase membership and will offer a free registration to VISION or the WBL conference next year. We are looking for members with a solid understanding of career academies to join the Advisory Committee.

CTE for All, Krista Paul

- Actively participated in planning meetings to set priorities and strategies for the section
- Organized and hosted our first CTE for All webinar on October 2, featuring Dr. Matthew Speno on bridging CTE and Special Education to empower student success; feedback has been positive
- Some current projects include: technology--I'm in the process of developing a dedicated intranet/website for CTE for All; and finalizing a Policy Manual--working on Version 2.0 draft
- VISION Conference
 - Co-presenting on "Scaling WBL Opportunities for Special Populations."
- Coordinating a gathering for members attending VISION (details to come).
- Next virtual webinar: January 29, 2025, 3:30–4:30 PM CST, focused on debriefing and sharing best practices from VISION
- (Immediate Opportunities for Membership Engagement in our Section in:
 - Policy: Establish documents and procedures for becoming an ACTE Division
 - Professional Development: Develop resources for meaningful PD
 - Advocacy: Lead IAED initiatives supporting ACTE's mission

CTE Research, Dr. James Bartlett

No Report

CTE Scholars, Sarah Grossi

We are working with ACTE on a name change from CTE Scholars to Innovative Teaching and Learning (ITL). Susan Leon and I met with ACTE staff to discuss the history of the section and to confirm that our new name and description are in line with what the section was intended for.

Proposed change:

Innovative Teaching and Learning (ITL)

The Innovative Teaching and Learning (ITL) section, formerly known as CTE Scholars, is a forward-thinking community committed to preparing high school and post-secondary students and adults for careers in education. Our members include educators who specialize in teaching Careers in Education, Education & Training programs, and Grow-Your-Own Initiatives. The ITL section encompasses professional development specialists, instructional coaches, and individuals focused on the recruitment and training of CTE teachers who are entering the education profession. Together, we empower educators by emphasizing effective pedagogy, reflective practices, and innovative approaches, promoting collaboration and growth.

Integration of Academics and CTE, Michael Moriarty

The Integration of Academics and Career and Technical Education (IACTE) section held a committee meeting on October 2, 2024. Two immediate goals for the IACTE section are to promote Synergizing Success to all ACTE members and use it as a resource for collaborative discussions with AdvanceCTE to support their cross-sectional skills with state CTE leaders. Updated IACTE resource page [here](#).

Instructional Management & Materials, Jennifer Brooks

No report

Law and Public Safety, Richard Trinkwalder

AdvanceCTE has released the final cluster update. LAPSEN and section members were a part of the development process and did our best to represent our pathways well. We also participated in the feedback stage and provided guidance on our pathways. We are now in the Public Service and Safety cluster. The Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security cluster is no more. We now share a cluster with JROTC and government programs. It is not a big change and many states already had JROTC programs assigned to the LPS program administrators. What is the change? Nothing really right away. Most states do not have to align with the new clusters. Many will over time. The new alignment might be used in funding formulas - which is unlikely to impact you much.

Makers of Policy/Public Information, Rahsaan Bartet

No Report

JROTC Leadership Pathways, Lt. Colonel Richard Crossley

The United States Army Cadet Command (USACC) Army Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (JROTC) Directorate, Fort Knox, KY is supportive of our ongoing initiative to increase membership within our section. Moreover, our intent is to follow established protocols to become a separate division.

Support Staff, Kendra Allen -

The OkACTE Support Staff will once again present at ACTE Vision 2024, which will also include a Support Staff member from Washington State. Beginning in 2025, the ACTE Support Staff Division, under NRS will proceed with our small policy committee under our newly elected VP. I look forward to continuing to represent the NRS Division as the Support Staff Section Lead and increasing the support staff member numbers across the nation.

Tech Prep, Michael Moriarty

The ACTE NRS Tech Prep section requests to merge memberships into the Integration of Academics and Career and Technical Integration section during the next NRS policy meeting. In August, we emailed members a section diagnostics survey ([view here](#)) to complete; I received one response. From that conversation, it was clear that the name Tech Prep is not an identifiable feature for current CTE practitioners throughout the nation. We hope this will cause no pushback from our current membership as IACTE will serve their needs.

Other and Related, Lisa Symsack

Nothing to report

ACTE is working to communicate and disseminate innovation at the forefront of all Regions and Divisions as an effort to support other CTE professionals around the nation. We anticipate highlighting the innovations in ACTE's publications, blogs, and webinars and other similar activities. Please highlight any recent innovative ideas within your Region or Division.

None noted. However, the potential change of the CTE Scholars Section will be a change that will be aligned with the ACTE strategic plan and needs of our industry.

C. Succession Planning

Do you have any information you wish you had been provided during your new Board Orientation (what you know now that you wish you had known then)? Do you have any suggestions on future Vice Presidents for your Region or Division? Or any suggestions on future ACTE President-Elect candidates?

I am currently working with Rich to transition this position. I know that he appreciates being looped in to all communication and that the VP Elect year is massively important.

D. Region/Division Concerns

What are your concerns for your Region/Division specifically	What are the implications for ACTE?	In what capacity can ACTE assist in addressing this issue?
Section leads are almost “mini Division VPs”. How can the VP of NRS better serve them? How can they get acclimated to what this position requires of them.		
It might be helpful if we were onboarded like the Division leads are onboarded.	It would help direct us to the right people faster, rather than having to go through our Division leads to obtain info or find out who handles what internally.	Given this is such a diverse section – maybe including us in onboarding or creating a mini-version of onboarding.

E. Topics to be discussed during Division/Region Breakouts

None noted

F. Items to be considered for placement on the Board Agenda

Topics to be placed on the board agenda for discussion. Give background information for the purpose of the discussion.

Action Items (those that will introduce a motion). Indicate item, rationale and possible wording for motion.

None at this time

G. Request for Information

Questions to Officers, Exec. Committee, or Staff to be answered but don't need discussion at the board meeting.

None at this time