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CTE Month – February 2016

[February is Career and Technical Education Month!](#)



CTE Month® is a public awareness campaign ACTE holds each February to celebrate Career and Technical Education and the achievements and accomplishments of CTE programs across the country. CTE Month 2016, with its theme of "Opportunities for Career Success," gives you the chance to tell stories of leadership and excellence from your local CTE programs and raise awareness of the crucial role that CTE plays in readying our students for careers and our nation for economic success. [Click here for more information on how you can get involved.](#)



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CTE Month PSA winners

If you haven't already, check out our three winning PSAs and don't forget that this year's CTE Month theme is "Opportunities for Career Success." Find out how you can get active this February and visit our [CTE Month website](#).

"I am CTE" Flashing Light Pin Available at ShopACTE!

Showcase your pride as a CTE professional by wearing this "I am CTE" flashing LED light pin, showcasing our yearlong theme to build awareness on the crucial role CTE programs play in providing career exploration and education opportunities for students nationwide. Perfect for you, your events and for celebrating with all your CTE colleagues! Available for purchase now at [ShopACTE](#). For the complete collection of CTE Month® products, [click here](#).



Spotlight on CTE

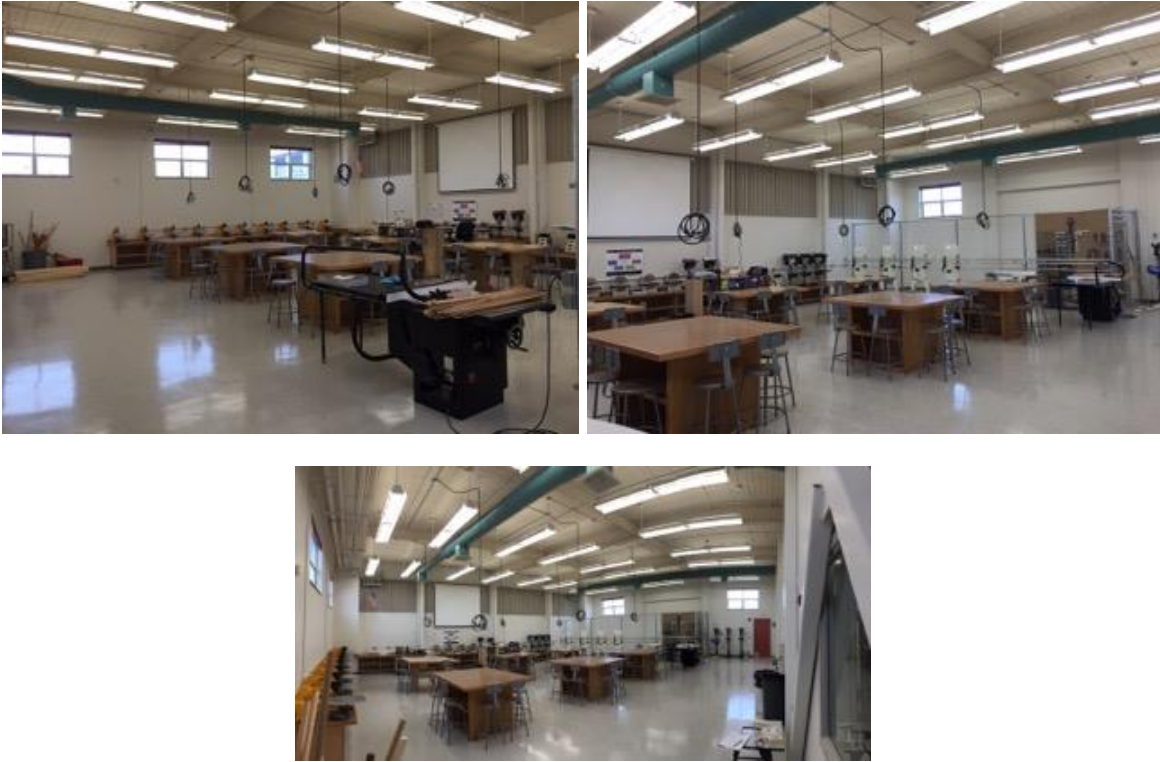
Civic Engagement Day

Students from around the state came to the Capitol on January 27, 2016, to meet with their respective Representatives and Senators. [Student leaders were able to educate members of the Legislature about CTE and CTSOs](#) and the role these vital programs play in student development and postsecondary success.



Student Leaders from a variety of CTE student leadership organizations from around the state on the Rotunda steps.

Spotlight on CTE (continued)



On Tuesday, February 16, Stanwood Middle School Technology and Woodworking students were welcomed back into a brand-new shop. Capital Projects Levy Dollars paid for the remodel and thousands in new tools. JT & T Construction was the general contractor (Omero Vargas, Owner). He was assisted by CL Brown Construction (Chris Brown, Owner), Creative Custom Cabinets (Kevin Schmidt, Owner), and Vogel's Carpeting and Flooring (Seattle). The tools arrived in early September. The remodel was started on January 11. I would like to personally thank the voters of Stanwood-Camano School District for passing the levy, Kevin Plambeck (CTE Director), Jean Shumate (Superintendent), Gary Platt (Executive Director of Business Services), Tex Ladish (Project Manager, NW ESD), Tod Klundt (Principal, SMS), Cherae Almanza (Vice-Principal, SMS), Omero Vargas, Chris Brown, Kevin Schmidt, and all the other workers that were involved in this project; including the custodial, maintenance, and grounds crew of SCSD. The kids and I are very happy, and I look forward to many more years of CTE teaching and learning.

Lara Brown, Technology and Woodworking Instructor, Stanwood Middle School



Governor Inslee toured and visited students at the YV-TECH Skills Center in Yakima on February 8, 2016. ASB Officers presented Governor Inslee with a CTE Month engineered plaque (*made by STEM Engineering/IT/Auto Collision/Computerized Machining program students*) for supporting Washington CTE.



OSPI | Randy I. Dorn
State Superintendent

OSPI Announces Award-Winning CTE Students

OLYMPIA — February 11, 2016 — The Career and College Readiness department at the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) today announced the students selected as the Washington Scholars in Career and Technical Education (CTE) and the winners of the Washington CTE Student Success Award.

More than 45 students across the state were nominated for these awards, representing the very best of CTE in Washington.

Washington Scholars in CTE

- Haeley Johnston, Mountlake Terrace High School; nominated by Jennifer Smith
- Madison Largey, Central Kitsap High School; nominated by James Adamson
- Christina Lundy, Mountainview High School; nominated by Terri Karkau
- Alyssa McGee, Sumner High School; nominated by Jessica Olaiya
- Maggie Joe Uceny, Kittitas High School; nominated by Cheryl Uceny

These students will represent our state for the [U.S. Presidential Scholars](#) in CTE award. This is the first time CTE has been a recognized category for this award.

Washington CTE Students Success Award

- Shayla Appling, Quincy High School; nominated by Elizabeth Graaff
- Callie Bianco, Black Hills High School; nominated by Brenda Knowlton
- Austin Brown, Todd Beamer High School; nominated by Patricia Ford
- Josh Budig, Cedarcrest High School; nominated by Marc Hillestad
- Brenda Casteneda, Wenatchee High School; nominated by Dale Blair
- Joy Clark, Central Kitsap High School; nominated by James Adamson
- Corrina Davis, Ferndale High School; nominated by Tony Torretta
- Erica Ebe, Ferndale High School; nominated by Tom Diimmel
- Jessica Guske, Lacrosse High School; nominated by Lisa Baser
- Hailey Himelspace, Shadle Park High School; nominated by Erin Ruehl
- Logan Jenny, Yelm High School; nominated by Teri Pablo
- Brandon Maher, Kamiakin High School; nominated by Denise Senior
- Luke Moore, Colton High School; nominated by Nathan Moore
- Emilie Pederson, Glacier Peak High School; nominated by Tami Caraballo
- Tanya Salas, Pasco High School; nominated by Deb Thurston
- Carlos Sepeda, White River High School; nominated by Shelley Skinner
- Nick Theil, Bonney Lake High School; nominated by Tricia Littlefield
- Ethan Toth, Wenatchee High School; nominated by Doug Merrill

These students will also represent our state for the [U.S. Presidential Scholars](#) award. Winners of the national award will be announced in June.

In the News

[Wash. high school plans inaugural Industry Fair](#)

More than 50 professionals representing different businesses will participate in a Washington high school's inaugural Industry Fair. The school offers 16 career and technical education pathways and will hold a resume workshop before the event to prepare students for professional opportunities.

[The Reflector \(Battle Ground, Wash.\)](#) (2/23)

Washington ACTE Summer Conference



Washington Association for Career and Technical Education Summer Career and Technical Education Conference

August 7-10, 2016 – The Davenport Grand Hotel (Spokane)

Call for Proposals - Deadline March 11

[Please Read This Information Before Submitting a Presentation Proposal](#)

[Click Here to Submit](#)

Please direct any questions regarding presentations to Franciene Chrisman: fdc@wa-acte.org / 360-786-9286

Registration Information Coming Soon!



Washington ACTE Summer Conference Partner

More Upcoming Conferences

[ACTE National Policy Seminar | February 29 - March 2, 2016 | DC](#)



Forge New Connections at NPS

Gain important insights into federal and state policy trends that will directly impact your CTE programs and strengthen your CTE contacts at local and national levels at [National Policy Seminar 2016](#) this February 29-March 2 in Arlington, Virginia. Don't forget that the early-bird registration rate ends January 29, and the deadline to secure the NPS hotel room rate at the Crystal Gateway Marriott is February 4.

[WITEA Spring Conference | March 10-12, 2016 | Wenatchee Coast Wenatchee Center Hotel \\$89 Single / \\$109 Double](#)

"WE ARE CTE...Dignity of Work, Skills in Action"

Registration Form (check/PO) [Word](#) - [pdf](#) | [Online Registration \(credit cards only\)](#)
[Conference Flyer](#) - [Student Project Display Information](#)

More Upcoming Conferences (continued)

[WAME](#) One-Day "Engineering a Better Marketing Program" | March 25, 2016
McKinstry Innovation Center, Seattle
This is a STEM conference offering 6 STEM clock hours.
[Agenda](#) | [Registration Form](#) | [Social Dinner](#)

[ACTE Region V Conference | April 20-23, 2016 | San Diego](#)

2016 Region V Conference

Mark your calendars! This year's Region V conference will be held in San Diego, California, April 20-23. Visit the [Region V conference](#) website for the latest information on the conference and [register today](#).



[WAAE](#) Summer Conference | June 26-30, 2016 | Pasco

[WA-ACTE Summer Professional Development Conference](#) | August 7-10, 2016 | [The Davenport Grand Hotel](#) (Spokane)

[WAVA](#) Fall Conference | October 10-11, 2016 | Wenatchee

The 2016 National Health Science Curriculum Conference October 12-14, 2016, provides an opportunity to showcase programs, share innovative teaching strategies and best practices, and look to the future by experiencing a wide array of learning opportunities and new resources. Educators from around the country will come together to form networks and build collaboration to enhance health science education programming. The theme of the conference is "The Race Ahead: Breaking Barriers and Building Bridges." There will be a preconference Tuesday, October 11 focusing on the National Health Science Standards and Assessment. [Click here for flyer](#).

[FACSE](#) Annual Conference | October 24-25, 2016 | Great Wolf Lodge

[WA-ACTE Fall STEM & ARTS Conference](#) | November 3-4, 2016
[Great Wolf Lodge](#) (Grand Mound/Centralia)

More Upcoming Conferences (continued)

[ACTE CareerTech VISION | November 30 - December 3, 2016 | Las Vegas, Nevada](#)

CareerTech VISION 2016

It is officially 2016, and we are getting ready for CareerTech VISION in Las Vegas! To kick off the New Year, submit your VISION presentation proposals by February 29 on www.careertechvision.com and you could have a session at one of the largest conferences for CTE educators and professionals.



VISION 2016 Call for Proposals

The deadline to [submit](#) your proposals for ACTE's CareerTech VISION 2016, taking place this November 30-December 3 in Las Vegas, is February 29.

CTE Certification Classes

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- [Bates Technical College - Click Here for Flyer](#)
- [Central Washington University - Click Here for Flyer](#)
- [Eastern Washington University - Click Here for Flyer - Spring 2016 Flyer](#)
- [Olympic College - Click Here for Flyer](#)
- [South Seattle College - Click Here for Flyer](#)

Washington ACTE Welcomes 11 New Members for January 2016

Welcome

Joe Haworth – Federal Way
Tim Hayward – Northshore
Kari Hollands – Burlington-Edison
Kathryn Miller-Navarro – Longview
Therese Nowlin – Enumclaw
Keith Peck – Kent
Michael Ragan – Federal Way
Scott Rockey – Elma
Chris Seeley – Northshore
Jeff Winn – South Kitsap



An essential resource for new and experienced teachers "Your First Year in CTE: 10 Things to Know" provides many "hands-on" examples and resources for use in teaching within the CTE classroom. This book is a great resource for both new and veteran CTE teachers to "survive" and "thrive" in the CTE classroom! [Order yours today!](#)

Washington ACTE 2016 Awards



Since 1976, the Washington ACTE Excellence Awards have promoted excellence in Career and Technical Education. Washington ACTE recognizes those individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to CTE, programs that exemplify the highest standards, and organizations that have conducted activities to promote and expand CTE programs. Award winners serve as inspirational leaders to Washington ACTE: They embody the core values of serving their students and being committed to CTE. All of the Member Awards are presented at the [Washington ACTE Summer Conference](#). Please join Washington ACTE at our next annual conference celebrating career and technical educators who make a difference in students' lives every day! Click [here](#) to see last year's Washington ACTE Award winners! To view other past winners, please visit our [winner archive](#).

Deadline: May 1, 2016

[Washington Association for Career and Technical Education 2016 Excellence Awards](#)

[Awards Checklist](#)

- *1st Deadline: December 31 - Make sure your candidates have the one year required WA-ACTE membership and enter as much information as you can by December 31.*
- *From January 1 and no later than May 1 complete your award nomination.*
- *Final Deadline: May 1*

Online Application - [ACTE Awards Portal](#)

For more information, please visit the [WA-ACTE Awards webpage](#).

Washington ACTE also administers these awards at the state level only:

2016 WA-ACTE Quality Section Standards Award - [Word](#) - [pdf](#)

2016 WA-ACTE Memorial Teacher Education Scholarship - [Word](#) - [pdf](#)

2016 WA-ACTE 100% Membership Award - [Word](#) - [pdf](#)

Districts that are 100% members of the Washington ACTE will qualify for a discounted subscription to the STEM Fuse K12 Computer Science Suite. For districts that are not 100% members, STEM Fuse will cover all membership costs once a subscription agreement is reached!

[Click Here for Information on the WA-ACTE and STEM Fuse Computer Science Initiative](#)



If you have questions about the Washington ACTE awards, please contact the Awards Coordinator, Tess Alviso at taa@wa-acte.org / 360-786-9286, or the Awards Chair, Vern Chandler at vedwards1923@gmail.com. If you have questions about the national ACTE awards or using the Awards Portal, please contact Kate Dowdy at kdowdy@acteonline.org / 800-826-9972 ext. 305.



[Doug Meyer](#)

ACTE President

Yelm Community Schools (retired)

Not a National ACTE member?

[Click here to learn more about ACTE membership.](#)



Senate Ag Committee Passes Child Nutrition Bill - The Senate Agriculture Committee voted to advance a bill, the Improving Child Nutrition Integrity and Access Act, to reauthorize federal child nutrition programs. [Read more](#)

ED Releases New Guidance on ESSA - Recently, the U.S. Department of Education sent a "Dear Colleague" letter to states with some new guidance on implementation of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). [Read more](#)

WIOA State Plan Deadline Extended, New FAQ Available - As the long process of implementing of Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) continues, we have some new information and resources to assist the CTE community. [Read more](#)

President to Request \$4 Billion for New Computer Science Education Initiative - During his weekly address, President Barack Obama outlined his plan to expand student access to computer science courses in his upcoming Fiscal Year 2017 budget request. [Read more](#)

Senate CTE Month® Resolution Passes Unanimously! - Late Tuesday, February 9, the U.S. Senate voted unanimously to pass a bipartisan resolution recognizing CTE Month and the Senate's support for its goals. [Read more](#)

Employers Share CTE Experiences at Senate Briefing - On February 10, nearly 150 CTE advocates joined the Senate CTE Caucus in-person or via webcast for a congressional briefing on employer engagement in CTE programs. [Read more](#)

Job Openings

- [Automotive Service Technology Instructor – New Market Skills Center / Tumwater School District](#)
- Various Career & Technical Education teaching positions – Vancouver Public Schools – [Vancouver Public Schools' Educator Career Fair](#) to be held Wednesday March 9, 4:30-6:30 PM
- [Cinematography Instructor - Wenatchee Valley Technical Skill Center](#)
- [Computer Technology Instructor - Wenatchee Valley Technical Skill Center](#)
- [Technology Coordinator \(3 hours per day\) – Thorp School District](#)

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(Left to Right) Gene Wachtel, WA-ACTE President Elect; Ryan Nickels, WASTS; Terri Karkau, HSCTE; Dawn Boyden, FACSE; Michelle Spenser, WA-ACTE Past President; Lew Keliher, WA-ACTE President; Jewel Robinson, WA-CCER; Darby Vigus, WAME; John Davis, WITEA; Mark Sabo, WSBEA; Shani Watkins, WAVA



[Shani Watkins](#), West Sound Tech Skills Center



[Dawn Boyden](#), Lake Stevens High School



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[Darby Vigus](#), Monroe High School



[Mark Sabo](#), Hazen High School



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[Jewel Robinson](#), Clover Park School District



[Ryan Nickels](#), Bremerton School District



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