



DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY FOR PRESIDENT ELECT
NOMINATION FORM

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Please respond as to how you fulfill the requirements to hold the office of President Elect listed below.

1. *The candidate for President Elect must have been a member of the Washington ACTE Executive Board within a five-year time period or have demonstrated active participation with the Washington ACTE Executive Board within the past five years (to include attending and/or making presentations to the Washington ACTE Executive Board over the period of a year) or have been a board member in an affiliated Washington ACTE section within the past five years.*

Please indicate how you fulfill the above requirement. An additional page may be attached, but brevity is requested.

I have served as the President of WACTA and served on the on the WA-ACTE Executive Board during that time. Additionally

I have served as a long time officer with WITEA. Along with this, I have worked closely with the WA-ACTE leadership to

host multiple conferences and other events.

2. *Each officer must be a member in good standing of the Washington Association for Career and Technical Education, national Association for Career and Technical Education, and his/her affiliated state section.*

a. Are you a member in good standing of the Washington ACTE?

Yes No

b. Are you a member in good standing of the ACTE?

Yes No

c. Are you a member in good standing of your affiliated state section(s)?

Yes No

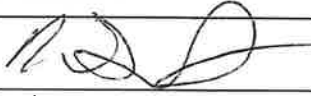
Affiliated State Section(s): WACTA, WITEA, WEBAM, WA-CCER, WA-FACSE, HSCTE



APPROVAL FOR CANDIDACY

I have read and understand all information provided in this nomination packet and pledge my three-year commitment to serve as President Elect, President, and Past President of the Washington Association for Career and Technical Education.

Name of Candidate Ross Short

Signature of Candidate 

Date 4/29/2024

The candidate has my approval and support to seek this position and fulfill the responsibilities of the office should he/she be elected.

Approved:
Principal/Site Administrator Name Mike Washington

Principal/Site Administrator Signature 

Date 5/1/24

Approved:
Superintendent/Chief Administrator Name Deborah Rumbaugh

Superintendent/Chief Administrator Signature 

Date 5/1/24

Completed application must be received no later than 4 p.m., May 1, 2024.

Submit this form to:

Washington ACTE Nominations Committee

PO Box 315, Olympia WA 98507-0315

Fax: 360-357-1491 / Email: taa@wa-acte.org

A photograph of yourself and an article written by you concerning your qualifications and candidacy must be submitted to the Washington ACTE office no later than May 1, 2024. Please email to taa@wa-acte.org

For over 20 years, Ross Short has worked in Career & Technical Education with the goal of doing what is best for kids and preparing them for the future of their choice. A 2001 graduate of Western Washington University's Technology Education program, he taught engineering design, architecture, and CAD/CAM at Stanwood High School for 15 years. Along with this he started and was the advisor for the school's Technology Student Association chapter during this time. In 2005, Ross took over as the State Advisor/ Executive Director of the Washington Technology Student Association, a roll he held alongside his teaching duties for ten years. During this time, WTSA experienced substantial growth and expanded opportunities for students.

While serving as the Executive Director for WTSA, worked closely with the other Career & Technical Student Organizations in the State. This worked included serving as the chair of their group, representing them on the WA-ACTE board, organizing the CTSO Civic Engagement Day at the capital, and bringing the CTSO's together for annual joint officer training each May.

In 2016, Ross transitioned out of the classroom to an administrative roll. First serving as the Assistant CTE Director for a year, then as the CTE Director for the Stanwood-Camano School District. With 21 CTE teacher and an average of student CTE FTE of 450, Stanwood boasts a robust CTE program with a breadth of offerings for students to explore, prepare, and apply skills.

Besides his work with the Stanwood-Camano School District, Ross has served in a variety of leadership roles within CTE. As a long time board member of the WITEA including as the TSA Representative and as the Treasurer, he has helped guide that organization since 2005 and assisted in the development of officers, conference planning and execution, and assisted through several major transitions. Along with this, Ross served as the WA-ACTA president. This work included serving on the WA-ACTE Board, organizing the first 2 virtual conferences, and assisting with the transition to hybrid professional development. Ross has also assisted WA-ACTE with AV and other needs for their conferences.