## ACTE's CareerTech VISION 2017 December 6-9, 2017, Nashville, Tennessee INSERVICE EVALUATION SUMMARY

5 = Excellent 4 = Very Good 3 = Good 2 = Fair 1 = Poor

## **Conference Objectives**

- Exciting, informative, and inspirational educational agenda packed with hundreds of sessions.
- Exceptional networking opportunities with thousands of CTE peers and professionals.
- Provocative discussions on public education from high-profile education experts.
- Practical in-classroom strategies for propelling your students into an increasingly competitive workforce.
- The latest CTE innovations, making dramatic differences in student outcomes.

1. The extent to which the written objectives have been met.	4.30
2. Participant perception of relevance and quality of the conference.	4.26
3. The extent to which the following activities addressed by the conference have been met:	
<ul> <li>a. Opportunities for participants to collect and analyze evidence related to student learning.</li> </ul>	4.09
b. Professional certificate standards.	4.00
c. School and district improvement efforts.	4.05
d. K-12 frameworks and curriculum alignment.	3.96
e. Research-based instructional strategies and assessment practices.	4.20
f. Content of current or anticipated assignment.	4.33
<ul> <li>g. Advocacy for students and leadership, supervision, mentoring/coaching.</li> </ul>	4.30
h. Building a collaborative learning community.	4.36

## Suggestions for improving the conference:

- I like the way that the sessions were divided into job focused areas. What I wish would occur is that the session descriptions matched what was presented. Over half of my sessions, while interesting, didn't match their descriptions.
- STEM symposium would best/appropriate on Wednesday. Most people flew out early Saturday afternoon.
- The only negative was the bus to and from the conference to other hotels was not consistent and location of where to meet the bus was confusing.
- Run sessions like business hours, started too late. Too many gaps. Spread sessions out more (bulk were Thursday PM).
- Loved the vendors present with resources!
- Great conference.
- Deeper discussions and more data would be useful.
- Just took some time to find rooms. Some rooms were too small.
- The breakout sessions started too late and lasted too late. Vendor session rooms were too small. This also caused too many educator sessions at one time. May not attend again due to the ill planned schedule. I feel I missed too many good sessions.
- · More hotel rooms.
- Amazing conference! So inspired!
- Addition of more administration focused sessions.

- Overall, the conference was great. The only issue I ran into was lack of adequate space for several sessions. Because of this, I could not attend three workshops.
- I would like to have OCTAE address the general session with an update and panel.
- Really great conference. Nationals are always a risk with the "sales-pitch" that sneaks up on you in some sessions, but overall great!
- Try to break up sessions/disperse amongst various time slots some time slots has so many sessions I was not able to attend all that I would like to have gone to.
- Need more health science presentations. Need to make sure A/V works! Need better program of presentations. It was hard to find the presentation rooms.
- Amazing professional development! Best conference I have ever attended.
- Location with more affordable food options.
- This was a great conference I'm always amazed at what's going on in the nation with CTE.
- Having CASE and interactive notebook workshop. Aquaculture small scale. TTK reunion.
- Overall great conference.
- Great sessions/info available, not scheduled well though (sessions all crammed into few afternoon times, only offered once).
- I attended the NAAE conference and went to just a few ACTE events. The guest speaker did a great job and the expo was varied, but had few offerings for agriculture education.
- Scholarship for CTE teachers to apply for to gain financial and professional development support to attend these conferences. I feel offering opportunities for more educators will help with teacher retention.
- Great conference! Good resources and opportunities for collaboration!
- This was a grand experience. So much to choose from.
- Great conference! My first time attending and I plan to make it again soon!
- I'm not a fan of doing panels at the general sessions. Overall, I think the conference was fabulous!
- I would have liked to have seen a variety of marketing options available. Would have been great if the marketing open session had been a chance to network as well.
- Roundtable style, facilitator led discussions would be welcome, especially for career counselors. We have been doing mock interviews and WSL for decades, so those sessions were not helpful. Descriptions on agendas were very vague and objectives were ambiguous. We can do better ACTE!
- Conference was great! Wonderful things to use in the classroom.
- Include more Family and Consumer Sciences sessions. I went to a few personal finance sessions that will help with my Independent Living course, but more sessions could help with the entire, broad content area.
- Less overlap on like type classes. It was hard to get into all the classes I wanted to because time slots were overlapped.
- I couldn't be more pleased with what I got out of the conference. I found a great new curriculum and a PLC from around the country.