



e-News Blast
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HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



Washington ACTE Wins National ACTE Quality Association Standards Award



Remember to cast your vote in the National ACTE Board of Directors Election!

Voting occurs November 30 – December 31, 2018.
More information at www.acteonline.org/board_election.



WA-ACTE Summer Conference
August 4-7, 2019
The Davenport Grand Hotel
Spokane

Look for Registration in March
<http://wa-acte.org/summer>

[Summer Conference 2019 Call for Presentations](#)

FUTURE EVENTS

Upcoming Conferences

WA-ACTE, Sections, Region V, and National ACTE Conferences



Washington ACTE Membership Webpage

Renew your membership for WA-ACTE, Sections, and/or National ACTE. Advocate for your CTE interests and achieve your career goals by ensuring your membership is current.

[Join or Renew Membership Dues with a Check or Purchase Order](#)

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NEW CTE VIDEO CONTEST LAUNCHES FOR 2019!

The Workforce Board has launched a new edition of our CTE “Get Real” Video Challenge. This year’s winning teams can earn as much as \$250 for their high school or middle school career and technical education department. All it takes is a cell phone, some creativity, and meeting a few contest guidelines.

Get all the details here: <http://www.wtb.wa.gov/CTEvideoproject.asp>. Need some inspiration? Check out winning videos from last year’s contest on Career Bridge’s CTE page. <http://www.careerbridge.wa.gov/Page.aspx?cid=1052>

CTE Month and NASA HUNCH Student Video Challenge

ACTE and NASA HUNCH are excited to collaborate on this year’s student video challenge, showcasing CTE and project-based learning programs in high-demand 21st-century career fields on earth and in space. Visit the website for ideas related to this year’s video theme, Working Out of This World. The deadline to submit a video is the first day of CTE Month, Feb. 1.

[Learn more.](#)



CELEBRATE TODAY.
with TOMORROW!

CTE MONTH® - FEBRUARY 2019

For Teachers

[\\$10,000 MacFarland Scholarship for Educators](#)

Northeastern University-Seattle offers new students in our master's and doctoral degree programs in education \$10,000. Those working or planning to become an educator in a public school may be eligible. [Learn more.](#)

[Explore ways youth can change the world!](#)

Bring your class to the [Discovery Center](#) for School Tours or bring the Discovery Center to your students via Skype in the Classroom. Sign-up for eNews for professional development and networking opportunities throughout the year all for free!



[ACTE Quality CTE Framework and Program Self-evaluation](#)

ACTE has released the 2018 *Quality CTE Program of Study Framework* and an accompanying program self-evaluation, which can be completed in print or online.

Invitation: Pilot New Global STEM Professional Development Modules For a Chance to Win \$100!

The Center for Global Education at Asia Society has partnered with ACTE and Advance CTE to create FREE online professional development modules that support CTE (career and technical education or vocational) teachers with integrating STEM content into their classrooms while teaching global skills via active, project-based learning. These new modules, together with sample curriculum and other tools and resources, are now being piloted, and you are invited to join in and give your feedback! These 10 new modules, entitled Career Readiness in a Global Economy: STEM and CTE, will help educators understand how to make global connections to local issues; create high-quality global STEM projects; assess global workforce readiness skills; connect with classrooms abroad to complete collaborative projects; and teach students to be project managers so they are more successful in completing their projects. For each module you give feedback on, you will be entered into a drawing for one of two \$100 Amazon gift cards. To pilot these new materials, please visit CTE Learn, create a free log-in, and click on the Career Readiness in a Global Economy: STEM and CTE button to get started! Contact Heather Singmaster hsingmaster@asiasociety.org with any questions. All surveys must be completed by February 15, 2019, to be entered into the drawing. Register here: <http://www.core101.org/>



[.5 FTE \(half time\) Seattle Skills Center Construction Trades](#)

[High School Special Education Teachers - Insight School of Washington](#)



Advisory board brings teachers and industry together (Clover Park)

At Harrison Preparatory School, video production students have the chance to get creative. With access to a working television studio and top-of-the-line equipment, the sky is the limit for the types of video projects they can create.

Those projects leave Harrison Prep technology teacher Justin Gorman with a dilemma. His students' projects take up a lot of digital server space. He needs to find a way to get their assignments off the server and stored somewhere that can handle their outsized files.

Luckily, he has somewhere to turn. The Clover Park Career and Technical Education (CTE) advisory board connects Gorman with industry professionals and instructors from local community and technical colleges. He brought up his storage conundrum at a recent meeting and the group was flush with suggestions.

"Advisory is what drives the bus on CTE," Gorman said. "We talk about everything from what kind of skills students need to what kind of technical equipment they need to be familiar with."

The advisory board advises, assists and provides support and advocacy for the district's various CTE programs. Meeting quarterly, advisory board subcommittees help educators develop CTE curriculum and understand what kind of skills employers and colleges are looking for students to possess coming out of high school.

Relationships with industry professionals are essential for offering high-quality CTE courses for students. Advisory boards help build those relationships.

Clover Park High School forensics teacher Gretchen Williams utilizes her relationship with the Thurston County Coroner's Office in her class every day. She received hands-on training as a reserve deputy coroner and being able to bring the reality of the job into her classroom creates a more vibrant learning experience for her students.

"It's basically a way to get a dose of reality," Williams said. "The advisory board allows me to ask questions of my person at the coroner's office about basic logistics and updated techniques."

Advisory board subcommittees meet three to four times each year, but members of the advisory board can also contribute as guest speakers in the classroom or by providing students with opportunities for job shadowing or field trips to see the career in action.

Diane Carver, director of career and college readiness, organizes and leads the advisory board. One of the major aspects of advisory that she focuses on is ensuring students can learn with the best technology.

"One of our requirements for CTE is that we try to meet industry standards," Carver said. "Members of the advisory board can help provide input on what that standard is and how we can meet it."

Industry standard can mean high-quality cameras for photography courses or access to 3D printers for technology students. Having industry professionals and college instructors to help advise on technology purchases ensures students have the tools they need to master available to them in middle and high school.

Wash. district offers pre-AP pilot program (Spokane)

Every comprehensive high school in a Washington state district is participating in a College Board pilot program to offer pre-Advanced Placement courses to freshmen. The goal is to prepare students, especially those in low-income households, for more rigorous courses.

Endowment supports Wash. school's STEM programs (Spokane)

An anonymous \$280,000 endowment is allowing a Washington state high school to enhance its science, technology, engineering and math programs. The money is being used to fund college scholarships, buy equipment, remodel a laboratory for biomedical science classes and plan for computer science classes next year.

High school launches career, college program (Riverside)

Students at a high school in Washington state are beginning to think about their future careers in the ninth grade under a new program that emphasizes skilled trades. The program includes a day set aside for seniors to fill out applications and learn about career opportunities and apprenticeship programs.

Students customize motorcycles in Harley contest (Sedro-Woolley)

Automotive and welding students at a Washington state high school are partnering with an area motorcycle shop as part of Harley-Davidson's annual "Battle of the Kings" customization contest. The students recently received a delivery of three Harley-Davidson motorcycles they will work on.