



e-News Blast
UPDATE
March 2021



*save
the date!*

WA-ACTE Summer Conference
August 8-11, 2021
Spokane



Registration Coming Soon

[Call for Presentations](#) (due April 5)



[Upcoming Conferences](#)

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

Need STEM clock hours?

WITEA Spring Conference | March 11-12, 2021 | Virtual

[Online Registration \(credit cards only\)](#)

Recorded Sessions Available Until March 26 to View and Earn Clock Hours

2021 REGION V CONFERENCE: PIONEERS OF CHANGE

April 15-17 for 2021

Nevada ACTE is excited to host the 2021 ACTE Region V Leadership Conference in the virtual world from April 15th – April 17th. Early registration at \$199 for members ends on April 1st. Advanced registration runs from April 2, 2021, to April 14th, 2021, for \$299 for members. Attendees can register [here](#). We have some exciting speakers lined up including Ken Sheldon and Gerry Brooks! There will also be a separate student conference on Saturday, April 17. Please encourage your students to attend and learn about leadership and other fun topics. We are excited to “see” everyone online and catch up. As always if you have any questions or concerns you can contact Jennifer Fisk at fiskje@nv.ccsd.net.

Registration Due Dates: Early Registration – **April 1** | Advance Registration – **April 14**

[ACTE Announces Board of Directors 2021 Election Results](#)

Shani Watkins, Region V Vice President

Ms. Watkins is the Director at West Sound Technical Skills Center in Bremerton, Washington. She will serve a three-year term beginning July 2021.

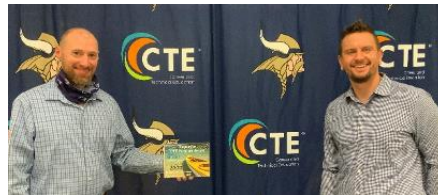
Congratulations Shani!



2020 Region V Innovative Program Recognition

The purpose of this innovative program from Washington is to help prepare students for careers in the field of STEM and others. Students who exit this pathway will ensure they have skills necessary for future success. The success of the program starts with students being hands-on with materials as well as focusing on problem solving and leadership. Students are encouraged to find real-world problems to design and solve.

Recently, a group of students designed and built an exterior sign for the Selah Fire Department. Students work in a team using the design process to communicate with others and complete the project. Engaged creators are intrinsically motivated through innovative instruction centered around student engagement and applying their learning in new and deeper ways.



Instructor: Geoff Anderson, Selah School District, Selah High School (left)

Mr. Alex Moll, a CTE STEM teacher at Lake Stevens Middle School, was recently awarded the Gerhard Salinger Award for Enhancing STEM Education through Technological/Engineering Design-Base Instruction. This award is a part of the International Technology and Engineering Educators Association, which is the parent association for WITEA here in Washington State. Mr. Moll will be recognized during the 2021 ITEEA Virtual Conference on March 25.

Mr. Moll has been recognized for this award as a part of his STEM Guitar Project, which has impacted the lives of countless students here in Lake Stevens, and across the Nation. Mr. Moll has been a huge advocate and mentor for other teachers and programs running this project, and has provided professional development for teachers across the nation.



(Mr. Moll is sitting on the ground in the middle of the picture, green shirt)



[Washington ACTE Membership Webpage](#)

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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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["Survival" class helps students prepare for real world](#)

Home economics has morphed into "Senior Survival" at Graham-Kapowsin High School in Washington, where math teacher Taylor Edwards offers a class to give students experience with important skills they'll need as grown-ups, including budgeting and stress management, especially related to social media usage. In this [podcast](#), Edwards explains how guests from the community also help students hone their job-search skills through mock interviews.

[CTE teachers adapt lessons to online format](#)

Career and technical education teachers at a Washington high school have adapted their typically hands-on lessons for a remote environment. Marlys Miller, for example, recorded herself cooking to show her culinary students, comparing it to hosting a cooking show.

[Scholarship helps rural students access college](#)

The Washington State Opportunity Scholarship's Rural Jobs Initiative has helped 51-year-old single mother Vanessa Davis overcome living on disability income to attend Lower Columbia College on her way to a counseling degree. The new program, which has signed up 50 people so far, is aimed at helping rural residents overcome issues such as tuition, transportation and internet service.



[Student video contest: Advancing space exploration through manufacturing](#)

ACTE, host of CTE Month®, and NASA HUNCH are excited to host the student video challenge, showcasing career and technical education (CTE) and project-based learning programs in high-demand career fields on earth and in space. This year's theme is "Advancing Space Exploration Through Manufacturing" and encompasses multiple CTE sectors, including health care, transportation, family and consumer sciences, energy, robotics and more! The deadline to submit a video is April 1.

Scholarship & Grant Opportunities Open Now

The Building Industry Association of Washington (BIAW) is the voice of the housing industry in Washington with nearly 8,000 member companies enjoying over 200,000 workers, making BIAW the largest trade association in the state.

[Education Program Scholarship](#)

[Education Program Funding Grant](#)

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The **Career and Technical Scholarship (CTS)** offers \$1,500 per quarter for Scholars pursuing a certificate, apprenticeship or associate degree in a high-demand trade, STEM or health care field.

The **Rural Jobs Initiative (RJI)** provides an additional \$2,000 in the first quarter, \$1,000 in the second quarter and \$500 per quarter for the remainder of the program for eligible rural CTS applicants.

CTS Fall 2021 application period

April 14, 2021 to June 4, 2021

[Learn more about CTS and RJI here!](#)

PILOT PROGRAM for SKILLED TRADES CLASSROOM RESOURCES

Skill Plan has worked with 14 Building Trades unions, affiliated trades schools and colleges to develop enhanced learning tools to help students explore and prepare for a career in the skilled trades. These resources are valuable for pre-apprenticeship (apprenticeship readiness) and apprenticeship success and as part of a pilot program you can access them for your classroom(s) for **FREE!!**

Skill Plans' Enhancing Pre-Apprentice & Apprentice Training Tools (EPATT) offer

- Cognitive profiles for every trade
- Trade-specific readiness assessments
- Trade-specific preparation guides
- Learning resources for every year of apprenticeship training

[VIEW THE BROCHURE \(PDF\)](#)

Mark your calendars as you won't want to miss this opportunity!

March 24th 3:30 to 5:30 pm

Topic: SKILL PLAN-Enhancing Pre-Apprentice and Apprentice Training Tools Project

Time: Mar 24, 2021 03:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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