

# e-News Blast **UPDATE** May 2022





Vote for the 2022 Stukent High School Teacher of the Year!



**JODI JACOBS** BUSINESS AND MARKETING TEACHER AT **EVERETT PUBLIC SCHOOLS, WASHINGTON** VOTE FOR JODI



Join us for the must-attend event for CTE professionals in Washington State! Registration Open...Save \$ Before June 30!

**WA-ACTE Summer Conference** 

August 7-10, 2022 (In-Person) The Davenport Grand Hotel, Spokane

August 17-31, 2022 (Remote)

Sessions will be recorded and available for viewing during the remote conference dates. **Tentative Agenda and Session List** 

Please visit the <u>WA-ACTE Summer Conference Webpage</u> for more information.



#### **Invest in Yourself: Renew Your Membership!**

#### **Washington ACTE Membership Webpage**

Renew your membership for WA-ACTE, Sections, and/or National ACTE.

Advocate for your CTE interests

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#### **Upcoming Conferences**

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



Region V Conference: A World of Opportunities

SAVE THE DATE: April 12-15, 2023 in Fargo, North Dakota

The North Dakota conference planning team is excited to host the 2023 Region V Conference in Fargo, North Dakota, April 12-15, 2023. Check out the video the North Dakota team put together: <a href="https://youtu.be/HYcnMtbJtaE">https://youtu.be/HYcnMtbJtaE</a>.

Also, a reminder to anyone who has not been to a Region V conference before, there is a 1st Timers Scholarship you can apply for that supports attendance for 2 years, so you could apply by the due date for the conference this coming year in Fargo and if awarded, have support for both the Fargo conference and the next conference in Honolulu. The total scholarship is \$500, \$250 for the first year and \$250 for the second year's attendance.



# **Washington State Wins at Region V Awards**





Congratulations to Sammi Jo Simms, from Ellensburg School District, for winning the ACTE Region V New Teacher of the Year Award. She now moves forward to the ACTE National Awards of Excellence. When asked how the candidate demonstrates innovation in CTE, Sammi Jo responded that she believes that "students learn best when they are up to their elbows in their education."



Congratulations to Cindy Arnold, from Battle Ground School District, for winning the ACTE Region V Administrator of the Year award. Cindy will now represent Region V at the ACTE Excellence Awards. Cindy believes that students need to engage in career exploration at young ages and need the opportunity to develop their interests. To support students at younger ages, the CTE program set up a Fourth Grade Career Fair where all seven primary schools bus their students for a full day of learning and exploring various careers.



Congratulations to Tim Knue, Washington ACTE Executive Director, for his nomination and award as the 2022 Region V Hall of Fame award recipient. Tim began as an agriculture instructor and also worked as an interim CTE director. When he retired from teaching, he became the executive director of Washington ACTE, where he has been for more than a decade now. He is a strong supporter, advocate, and cheerleader for all things CTE. Tim is very knowledgeable about the legislative process and for the past few years has been the legislative committee chair for Region V.



Congratulations to Tony Sharpe, from West Sound Technical Skills Center, for his nomination and Region V Innovative Program Award for 3D Animation & Game Design.



### **Spring 2022 Legislative Preview**

After two weeks of recess, Congress returned to a busy legislative schedule on **Monday, April 25**. The first big item on the agenda related to career and technical education (CTE) is the annual budget and appropriations process. **READ MORE** 



### **Device offers virtual exploration, dissection of humans**

Students at a Washington state high school are learning about human anatomy and the dissection process by using the Anatomage Table, a touch-screen device loaded with scanned images from human bodies that were donated to science. Teacher Tracee Godfrey says the images from the nearly 7-foot-long device offer a more natural experience than sketched overlays, while also boosting interest in and understanding of the advanced health science career path.

### Rocketry Challenge creates pathways to STEM

A team from Cascade Middle School in Auburn, Wash., has qualified for the national finals of The American Rocketry Challenge, a competition that attracts more than 4,000 students each year. Eric Fanning, president and CEO of the Aerospace Industries Association, says the event offers "limitless pathways in STEM and the aerospace industry, opening the door for them to be a part of the world's most exciting innovations."

### High school to pilot dual-enrollment program

A Washington state school district will launch a dual-enrollment pilot program with Arizona State University in the next school year. Under the program, high-school students in the district will be eligible to earn an associate in arts degree by the time they graduate from high school, and the program could expand to include science or business fields in the future.

#### 5th-graders build, race maglev cars at STEM event

Fifth-graders at Orin Smith Elementary in Chehalis, Wash., designed, built and raced maglev cars, which use magnets for levitation and are powered by large fans, during a district STEM Day. The fifth-graders worked in teams and received feedback from high-school students before testing their final vehicle designs.



# Do you need a CTE Certification? Get started today by signing up for classes at CWU!

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- Now offering a hybrid/distance education model (attend online or in-person)
- Submit application by:
  - May 1 for June 27 Start
  - August 1 for September 17 Start
- Apply to the program and find more information about course offerings, as well as the class schedule on our website at www.cwu.edu/cte

Questions? Email cte@cwu.edu

#### Scholarships available for your CTE students

The Horatio Alger Association is now accepting applications from students who are currently enrolled or will enroll at a community college or non-profit technical institution. This year, the association will award 500 CTE scholarships at up to \$2,500 each. Applications are due June 15. Learn more.

### **Apply now for Harbor Freight Tools for Schools Award**

Harbor Freight Tools for Schools Prize for Teaching Excellence is excited to award more funds to more outstanding skilled trades teachers in 2022. You can be one of five grand prize winners (\$100,000 each) or 15 prize winners (\$50,000 each). Apply today.