WA-CTE SUMMER CONFERENCE  
AUGUST 9-11, 2010 – SPOKANE  
INSERVICE EVALUATION SUMMARY

Please rate the conference using the following legend (circle one only):

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

Conference Objectives
To provide participants the opportunity to increase their knowledge and competencies while expanding their support network as they focus their professional development on the following:
1. Integrating and increasing math and the arts into CTE programs in order to support student success across the curricula.
2. Develop skills and strategies for motivating all learners to achieve high standards.
3. Acquire strategies to strengthen and improve nontraditional training and employment.
4. Develop strategies to market CTE’s benefit to economic, community, educational, and workforce partners.
5. Acquire knowledge of best practices for programs of study.
6. Recognize and support CTE’s new professionals, leaders, and achievers.

| 1. The extent to which the written objectives have been met. | 3.98 |
| 2. Participant perception of relevance and quality of the conference. | 3.88 |
| 3. The extent to which the following activities addressed by the conference have been met: | |
| a. Opportunities for participants to collect and analyze evidence related to student learning. | 3.72 |
| b. Professional certificate standards. | 3.85 |
| c. School and district improvement efforts. | 3.67 |
| d. K-12 frameworks and curriculum alignment. | 3.93 |
| e. Research-based instructional strategies and assessment practices. | 3.74 |
| f. Content of current or anticipated assignment. | 3.78 |
| g. Advocacy for students and leadership, supervision, mentoring/coaching. | 3.81 |
| h. Building a collaborative learning community. | 3.86 |
| 4. The quality of the physical facilities. | 4.02 |
| 5. The quality of the oral presentations. | 3.99 |
| 6. The quality of the written program materials. | 3.86 |
| 7. Opening Session (Jim Brazell) | 3.67 |
| 8. General Session (James Stone) | 3.87 |
| 9. Wellness Hour | 4.20 |
| 10. Section Breakout Sessions | 3.95 |
| 11. Closing Session (Michael Geisen) | 4.05 |
| 12. Sunday Awards Banquet | 2.69 |
| 13. Tuesday Barbecue | 4.17 |
| 14. Pre-Registration Process/Materials | 4.10 |
| 15. On-Site Registration Process/Materials | 4.29 |
| 16. Exhibitors Location/Accessibility | 4.18 |
| 17. Exhibitors Variety/Quality | 3.82 |
| 18. WA-CTE Website Materials | 3.81 |
| 19. Overall Customer Service | 3.98 |
| 20. Do you plan to attend Summer Conference next year in SeaTac, August 14-17, 2011? | Yes 82% | No 18% |
Needs stronger applied math presence overall it was disappointing to go to sessions that didn’t meet their session objectives as stated in the WA ACTE summer conference guide.

Some of your sessions have a good description in the flier and there were many that seemed vague. It is helpful when choosing which section to have good information

More “free choice” time on Monday - more space for “Advisory Com” session or able to flex

Ag teacher conference is 100% better than this conference. This conference did not provide me with any lab or lesson information.

More time for frameworks

Meal choices, heavy pasta - let’s have fruit (FACSE)

Section sessions were great well planned and great variety

So many good sessions, hard to decide repeats

More time on small evening site selections of industrial programs, example: business, ag.

Seminars I wanted to be at conflicted, but it is incredibly hard to please everyone

What happened to section gift baskets?

FACSE held a great roundtable session! Great job FACSE!

Offer classes more than once. Some sections offer 5 classes while other offer 20 classes

Scheduling of several great sessions at the same time the program supervisor was presenting – not a good idea!

FACSE outstanding

Section breakout – Nutrition! Great

Combine section conferences so more teachers would attend and find relevance there would be more “meat” for each area.

I went to one session and it was cancelled another speaker did not show up - some others were excellent

As a woodshop/construction trades teacher who has been attending conferences for years I had great expectations for this years conference. I was completely disappointed and wished I would have spent my budget monies on something else.

The way sessions were cancelled/notification was problematic.

More construction w/frameworks

The overall split between large schools with full-time vocation directors and large numbers of CTE teachers and small rural school with only one teacher in each CTE area with uninformed directors is getting bigger

FACSE cancelled sessions “gang awareness” shouldn’t happen

Ag information at this conference is poor it was said that for the number of people there it isn’t worth the time. I came and therefore want to learn something.

By far the worst conference I’ve been to. The instructors had little new information and were not dynamic at all,

Framework sessions turned into q/a session and a lot of answers are “that’s under review now” not really sure what information I got from this.

Please put all section workshops online way sooner! Allow us to sign up for our section meals online w/registration

It would be really helpful to have all the section sessions in one location i.e., the convention center so that access to all sessions would be easier.

Too much sitting Day 1

FACSE luncheon was expensive and not healthy!

If we want to integrate math and art into the CTE programs we should have math and art people presenting workshops or invited to participate in the conference with CTE. This would help breakdown the “silos’s” (traditional math and art teachers

FACSE section breakouts were fabulous, relevant, timely, useful and I am taking home lessons and materials I can use right now.

We need to get a broader spectrum of attendee’s across the state. Perhaps a scholarship program.

Weak CGCA/ASL breakout sessions.
Food tickets too costly (FACSE lunch $ too much FCCLA breakfast)
Good FACSE session well presented
Numerous sessions only offered at 10:15 and would have loved to attend all bummer!
I'd like to see more practical offerings that I could take back to my classroom.
Have more groups meet to collaborate / share etc...
More social events a ton of great work gets done when we can all meet and talk informally.
Loved the wellness aspect.
Monday was a bust - not enough choices on Monday
Tuesday there was an overlap of OSPI updates and WAME offerings, 7am meeting on Wednesday was harsh
Make sure speakers are there for their class. The “Food Choices that make a Difference” speaker never showed up. Other than that great conference
Monday - coffee and rolls, not enough rolls
Not enough session for WASTS section need more in auto, IT, others - need a reason to attend need sessions that apply.
Sessions were great - very professional
I enjoyed the 15 minute breaks between session, more variety of both presenter and exhibitors
WITEA materials were kind of lacking this year
More classroom activities for WITEA
Session tech - didn’t work, it was over in 10 min.
WSBEA luncheon was great enjoyed speaker
CTE strategies for ELLS excellent should be offered again, good to have sessions on Monday afternoon.
Very minimal representation health / medically oriented vendors - Bummer!
Monday “food choices speakers” were a no show!!
Pre-conference on math was terrible. Scheduling of WSBEA offerings was poor - no repeats too many we needed in the Tuesday 1pm session. If Digitools has a new curriculum why wasn’t it shared?
Why is the “carnage book for financial math” the only one for training? Why are we not focused on best practices - not just vendors and OSPI, really disappointed this year
Why was WAVA all the way at Davenport, could have had sessions/classes.
More and better variety of sessions
Too many canceled sessions when I arrived at the location, no automotive sessions or automotive related vendor booths.
I would like some social time planned for cluster groups. Need more time (45min) between last session and closing session (to check out)
A lot of the topics were great but when you arrived the information was more talked-around than to.
The presentations by Dr. Pam Weigand about “making students responsible for their writing improvement” and “Brent Howard” were great and involved things I can take back to the classroom. Other presentations had the potential to do that but presenters didn’t really get to the point. I would suggest explaining to the presenters that they don’t need to spend as much time justifying the importance of their information (we think it’s important, that’s why we came) they can get straight to the point.
I went to an industry tour and only one other teacher attended I think more would have attended if transportation was provided, a small fee would be charged if needed, i.e. a school bus is ok.
More middle school content
Like to see more workshops in my area; photography video broadcasting
More online resources for teaching
7am meetings are too early
Section meeting times should be longer, session spread to far out, hard to get to some
It was nice to see the NSSD Green program. The FACS ladies were very helpful with their recipes and plans.
Writing pads and pens at breakout sessions
2010 SECTION INFORMATION Evaluation

- Don’t have frameworks at same time as sessions - so we don’t have to make a decision
- For most of the session I attended the description did not match what the speaker presented.
- Senior Foggy session: this had some helpful information and the man presenting was gracious with his time. However it was difficult to sit for 2 hrs. 45 minutes in a hot room and listen to someone talk, an organized hour to break it up and maybe a little more direction for him - potential was there for this off-site session.
- I appreciated the variety of culinary classes
- Why no WAVA session on Wednesday?
- “What employers want” Gilmore/Hudson way too long, need information a teacher can incorporate into their classroom immediately she rambled on and on
- Most sessions really important and informative great job - FACSE section and resume especially
- Add notepad or even steno books in each participants bag - loved having a bag for collecting all the paperwork and items
- Thought there would be more help in getting math credit for my program didn’t even know there was a group WA-ACTE until this May. I teach such a specialized subject that there aren’t many sections (breakout session) that apply to me!
- Many of sessions did not follow what was actually presented need to do a better job with descriptions.
- Too many college level ideas - need more H.S. level material
- Using session to sell curriculum is a conflict.
- Need more flexibility for accounting our sections program-of-work – do not double book quality presentations
- Have more massages at the conference
- The “what employee's are looking for” was a bust - they were selling product that cost $75 per student for test.
- Very unorganized 2 presentations were not even there – the online material did not match the real thing nothing for my section and not worth the price
- Don’t schedule OSPI update at the same time as other sessions
- Don’t have meeting at 7AM
- Overall some of the best section sessions I have seen in years
- Spread out WADOT sessions throughout the day
- Didn’t have much under CGAC but went to other workshops that were great
- Balance course offerings across disciplines a little better a few times things were competing and then nothing in the next.
- Confirm presenters before sessions
- Fruit at breakfast meetings
- Communicate what the conference will entail so we can make informed decisions on whether to attend or not
- Session topics need to be published a lot earlier to make informed decisions for attending and travel
- I would like to see more Ag opportunities and materials.
- Many breakout sessions were specific to content areas (great for those areas) - my content area automotive didn’t have any specific to my area so choices were very limited.
- Project Management section Great Idea hope to see more about it in the future!
- Please repeat the session on “Reinventing Your Advisory Committee” and allow more space. Many could not attend due to a small packed room.
- Would like to see American Sign Language represented more, i.e., ASL vendors and ASL presenters.
- Please drop WAVA from this conference so we can attend other group presentations. If keeping WAVA, please keep meeting places together
- I do wish they had a broader variety for FACSE breakout (very heavy in culinary and Financial but, overall very good.)
- OSPI Mary Nagle breakout was helpful (frameworks).
- I'm a first year teacher - it would have been helpful to have something about how to get stated in the teaching of CTE?? What can I do in a classroom?
2010 SECTION INFORMATION Evaluation

- OSPI presentations should be given each a time when all can attend please do not overlap w/other valuable section presents. This is the only time we get meeting time with these people we should all be there. To me this should be like a mini keynote for the entire section.
- The time slotting for our section presentations seemed very "chunky" and not the most efficient use of time.
- I have been to many summer conferences and I am taking home with me the least amount of usable daily materials for my classes.
- I always enjoy this conference getting me excited for the next school year and I am not going away disappointed on this aspect, but I really am not enthused by anything concrete that I can use. I currently teach business law, accounting computer programming and work-based learning. Only one session directly addressed my area. I know that the third math credit directly affects me, but I felt a little overwhelmed and I'm leaving without some of the practical "SESSIONS THAT WE HAVE HAD IN THE PAST IN SPECIFIC SUBJECT AREAS." Please bring them back!
- Move WAVA closer to the rest of the conference, have breakout sessions on the first day and spread out keynotes.
- I feel the Skilled and Technical Sciences and the name change WASTS is not the same and does not reflect what was once known as Trade and Industry. Therefore I am only paying WA ACTE dues and not section dues.
- There were sessions I wish had been offered more than once.
- Don’t have pathway updates and workshops at same time. When OSPI update is being held nothing else should be going on!
- One of the breakout sessions “Food choices that make a difference” didn’t show up - too late to change sessions
- Break-out sessions for WSBEA were the best ever
- In the area of FACSE - great workshops!
- FACSE sessions were great
- Wednesday 7 am session "21st century skills for students/workers" was fair all the others were great!
- Workshops for FACSE were good and excited to use new ideas in my classroom
- WAME needed more options and choices
- The WAME session on Bremerton Fashion Marketing had no presenter or note that the session was cancelled
- “What employers want and what job seekers need to know” Not what I expected, no information given, just babbled, not helpful career information
- Hot sandwiches for lunch would be better
2010 WORKSHOP Evaluation

- Flowed well, could add a WOIS workshop
- Why didn’t WOIS offer a workshop?
- Wellness Hour- Loved the idea, more break-out session on day one - the pre-conference session I attended was great
- Need more hands on Business ED subjects
- Hoped to have more on new ProStart
- If pre-conference is off site, please provide maps/addresses
- All the workshops I attended were great speakers were great too.
- Wellness Hour - did not want to get up
- I liked the differences
- Pre-conference offerings need to be fully described before districts pay $ for courses not relevant
- Better confirmation of guest speakers-there were some cancelations of speakers and no shows
- We need to confirm with our speakers it was very frustrating to want to go to a specific session and then find out people forgot to confirm or they backed out. We need to do something that is of interest the young professionals.
- I wish my administrators from Sno-Isle Skill Center would have gone to the frameworks session....they both can’t find their behinds with both hands....it would be good for them to see how it should be done.
- Wellness hour-yoga was great
- Cool idea had other commitments
- Wellness hour- great idea
- When in Spokane try to centralize as has been done in the past. Keep admin at hotel with the teachers etc., use Red Lion like the past
- More social activetes like with networking times
- More time to WAME meetings later start time beyond 8am most notable there were “no shows”
- More forensic classes would be a welcome addition
- Not a lot related to Construction field good quality of future requirement presented, several times emphatically.
- Would have loved more tours and having prior information about tours and conference offerings.
- One of the breakout sessions “Food choices that make a difference” didn’t show up - too late to change sessions
- The wellness hour was fun
- Wellness hour was great would be nice to have one each day
- Great workshops
- Good workshops Tuesday; not as valuable on Monday and Wednesday
- Post-conference cancelled after air fare purchased- tax payers money wasted
- More breakout sessions but a little shorter
- Apparel and textiles and restaurants management you rock!
- I want more on Fitness available 2days?
- Standard First Aid /CPR excellent keep having it!!
- “Lets work it out” - provide more practical tips to fit into the workday
- “Money Rocks” - Kendra- bring her back excellent!
- Having more breakout session time for the first day (Monday)
- I’m a CTE photography teacher and there was hardly any sessions devoted to us - actually only one- however by smoozing I was able to network with about a dozen photo teachers
- Pre-conference -First Aid CPR excellent!!!
- For the frameworks CD’s were good all pathway advisors need to be on the same page as which form to use.
- Food science workshop on Sunday was great
- Great networking opportunity
- ASL workshop poor! Need to hire trainers/teachers from ITP (interpreter training programs to teach.) May cost $$ but needed
2010 WORKSHOP Evaluation

- Loved the Healthy Relationship session.
- No OSPI updates during other presentations
- No 7am Wednesday - Monday afternoon not productive - lunch too long, lost people
- Wellness time - loved
- Best breakout sessions!
- Great idea one year we had a sponsor so we got T shirts!
- Yoga- wonderful
- Wish I had advance notice of wellness hour so I could have brought cloths to participate
- Loved the wellness hour.
- Very little to offer for T&I
- More hands-on stuff!
- Real yoga next time!
- Nice job! Good integration of math
- Great emphasis on diversity - wellness hour was awesome!
- Much more tech sessions
- Would liked to have had concrete examples - thank you
- Loved later start on Wellness Day
- Yoga was amazing - I think it should be offered as a breakout session, maybe offer a wellness hour in the afternoon for one session so that everyone can enjoy a healthy balance to CTE
- “Money rocks- but good credit talks” great breakout section - lots of information curriculum to take home
- Money smart - curriculum to take, very sweet lady, great breakout session-lots of ideas
- There were great offers on Tuesday/Wednesday but I felt like Monday didn’t offer as much was a waste of time.
- Split up offerings for WAME/WSBEA/DOT? I teach/cert.’s in all so it made choosing difficult
- There needs to be far more opportunities for teachers such as I who work in Special Ed. As I am also WBL cert. In our meetings, we all agreed that in addition to more presenters - we would like a ½ day prior or during the conference, to use a computer lab and share, create produce work we can use
- Breakout sessions seem small and needed to be longer especially.-WBL
- Nice job committees
- The presentation from the “Center of Excellence” was poorly organized no PowerPoint information
- Exceptional presenters information just 2 presenters were not teachers and difficult to follow
- More workshops
- Have some of the wellness hour options at each hotel - would have loved to do the yoga option, but it was too early, at a hotel 10 blocks away from my hotel.
- Maybe a second wellness hour one afternoon.
- Great STEM presentations, great science presentations, quest speakers were great
- Loved the wellness hour,
- Wellness hour more mornings, like two
- More for arts and communication pathway specific - photo teachers had to find each other on our own to collaborate
- I would like more sessions that actually apply to what is learned in business ed.(eg: new technology, math etc..)
2010 FACILITIES Evaluations

- I was not able to attend important sessions because of their locations and lack of travel time. SeaTac should be easier to schedule rooms closer together.
- Do not like being in convention center - RL was so much better.
- DoubleTree was not the greatest
- Keep things closer together, three different venues was too much.
- Get conference into a more central spot. Having in spread out over 3 hotels is too much
- AC made conference rooms too cold, could be turned down some.
- Those who have special needs had problems walking long distances in short amount of time. Need to provide shuttles.
- Many had a hard time walking
- Some rooms too cold (Willow 2) shuttle for those having hard time walking
- Having sessions at different hotels didn’t work well since there was lots of walking trying to get to the different one
- The Davenport Hotel was too far away for 15 minute “passing time”
- Rooms once again were to cold. Many were overflowing with people
- Red Lion didn’t even have water in meeting rooms. Not everyone wants coffee or tea.
- Never, never have it in Yakima! Combine with fall conference and extend one day.
- All of my food at DoubleTree was good
- I don’t want to have to go to different hotels for sessions, parking is a nightmare! Food options are awful
- I wish the breakfast meal could be us going through the hotel buffet and bringing the meal to the meeting room
- The separation of teachers and administration at the Davenport and DoubleTree, Red Lion was very incompatible. I did not like being separated from my teachers.
- It was awkward to try and catch a session from an alternative area was impossible because of the distance between venues.
- Couldn’t get on-line
- I didn’t run into others from my district as often as I anticipated based on the previous years. I wonder if having meetings/sessions in so many places created that hole for me.
- Rooms really cold again
- Spread out too much
- Rooms too small during breakouts
- Additional parking difficulties made attending programs in the multiple venues quit difficult
- People in small groups rolls/fruit/juice/coffee in general area’s
- Sessions and workshops spread out over hotels, bit hard to get to.
- Had to stand at closing session, not enough chairs
- Motel staff needs to be more willing to work w/conference guest. No late check-out makes things hard.
- Either the conference needs to end earlier or motels cooperate w/guest
- Turn up the heat, too cold makes hard to focus on presenters
- Air conditioning too cold!
- Got lost walking back and forth to sessions this really wasn’t anyone fault - I should have stayed in DoubleTree, first time in Spokane
- Everybody in closer proximity (ex: WAV a in Davenport) too far to walk and back and forth and sends the wrong message to people. (we all need to be on the same team)
- No internet in Ballroom
- The opening session room was stark, echoed and cold, felt like I was at a funeral in a garage. Just pass it on to the CC people because you can’t change it. The room needs carpet!
- The closing rooms were perfect.
- I stayed at the Double Tree and found what I needed
- Opening room cold psychologically /physically
2010 FACILITIES Evaluations

- Having backup rooms available when scheduled rooms turn out to be small
- Opening session space felt like a warehouse
- Rooms at the Red Lion were too cold
- WAVA too far from the other conference locations Davenport too far
- Get everything in one place
- The facilities seemed too spread out
- I would like more sessions that actually apply to what is learned in business ed. (eg., new technology, math etc.)
- It was a pain to travel to the Davenport and then run to the Red Lion. Not enough travel time between
- Don’t mind the walk, but hard to make times. This limits some from attending.
- Should do more presentations by CTSO’s
- Having to book it between DoubleTree and Red Lion was a bit of a challenge. Not enough room for all at DoubleTree
- Liked opening day location change
- Red Lion maps hard to follow, needs more signs.
- Professional organizations need descriptions indicating who they cater too, in terms of what teachers should join
- Red Lion rooms not ready at 5 pm to check-in. Didn’t answer the phone or send a shuttle to airport to pick up a friend - she had to wait 1 1/2 hours.
- Acoustics in opening session were terrible
- Red Lion rooms were to cold
- Davenport is too much out of the way for sessions
- Breakfast needs to be part of hotel room rate like the Holiday Inn Express.
- The staff at the DoubleTree were not customer friendly and rude when they made an error in hotel reservation.
- Having a better general area. It was very spread out
- Cold rooms and terrible internet connection in Salon 1, and 5 at DT
- DT amazing nice helpful and clean
- Accessible facilities - all adequate food planning
- Davenport was hard to get to
- Rooms were so cold some people left sessions early, hard to focus when your shaking
2010 SPEAKERS Evaluation

- Please try to continue bringing in nationally recognized speakers, James Stone could have provided more information about NRCCTE resources, services, and initiatives.
- Closing Session awesome
- I enjoyed the breakout sessions - large keynote were STEM directed would nice to have a more motivational speaker.
- One opening speaker please! Closing: He was very stuck on himself - no real message too young for this group, too immature
- Closing session not good
- I really liked incorporating the cross-curriculum lecture by Jim Brazell. I hope to have a general curriculum inspirational speaker next time
- Our opening speaker made me want to turn around and drive back to Seattle. Shoozefest.
- The WA-ACTE needs to encourage more diversity for presenters perhaps to recruit teachers to attend my best and most meaningful sessions were with small groups of like subject teachers.
- Have one keynote speaker per day instead of two
- Opening session accounts terribly cold and barren there was no water in afternoon
- Michael Geisen are you kidding me? Way to random what was his point?
- Michael Geisen, did he know who he was talking to, we don’t have traditional classrooms
- Opening session-Jim Brazell should’ve condensed each talk into one hour each
- Opening was too long, point received after 1 hour
- The opening and closing sessions could be shorter.
- More of a motivational speaker for day 1 rather than facts
- Nathaniel Hull from Perry Tech was a great presenter
- Closing session Michael Geisen, and the message was?? He got there did he know his audience?
- Monday seemed like a total waste I felt as if my school district wasted money. I didn’t feel as if I gained any information from the first speaker. For the break out session the speaker didn’t show up.
- Opening speaker made the comment that Washington does not graduate 70% of it’s students. And when questioned said he read it somewhere, not very professional- felt session was outdated but I guess he thought he was talking to a bunch of poor teachers.
- The entry speakers had some good information but were a little dry and long.
- Keynote needs to be motivational. He was good but I really didn’t think what he said was applicable to CTE. It was more engineering and 4-year college kids - what happened to what CTE was set up to do?
- Too many speakers on Monday-need more sessions
- James stone was rude and crude.
- Closing session was a total waste of time arrogant resume
- Closing speaker was at WAVA conference
- Liked the closing session, opening session should be in a ballroom.
- Closing speaker had a fantastic message!
- The closing session was great
- Closing session didn’t seem to know that we do teach creative and practical skills
- The room for the opening session was too big hard to focus on the speaker.
- Closing speaker needed to be less fussy and more to the point. He was teacher of the year not comedian of the year.
- Better opening session speakers. Yakima last year was great, inspirational looking forward to fall classes.
- Did closing speaker know his audience?
- Humor at the end was very nice
- Tried to go to a session Monday afternoon at DT and room was too small so didn’t attend session. Food and presenters for WSBEA lunch was excellent.
- Opening and then general session together was too long
- Geisen- outstanding presentation
2010 SPEAKERS Evaluation

- Jim Brazell was very redundant, he expanded a 20 min. presentation into hours.
- WSBEA lunch time speaker from ESD 101 was amazing and should be used throughout the presentation.
- Scott Lu Duc was a great speaker last year.
- Brent Howard was the best bring him back
- Opening session - too long, could have been cut in half
- General Session - James Stone - too many penis/ass remarks!
- Really liked closing speaker (humor)
- Michael Geisen funny and good speaker
- Jim Brazell highly motivating, energetic, presented research visually - James Stone lost me with off-color joke about turning off cell phones and other “humor” research in print, step by step boring wrong for this audience we want to know out come and suggestions not process. Disgusting demeanor!
- Opening session - well prepared, extremely knowledgeable speaker but this session needed an upbeat motivational “go get em” speaker to start our conference on a high note
- Jim Brazell was great
- Loved the closing speaker!
- The first speaker I would have liked to have more specific information on
- “What does this mean for my classroom”? 
2010 REGISTRATION Evaluation

- WA-ACTE website materials—slow to post program agenda
- Please don’t use glossy paper for the conference program - it’s hard to take notes on, and would be less expensive.
- Very well organized thank you!
- Some people fly to this conference and they had to walk everywhere. Sure a bus at times but did not run during the main times needed. Disorganization apparent at several levels. Not worth my budget money to attend if this is how it is now. Too bad, used to be my favorite - I think everyone registered should get some kind of a refund for all that went wrong this year. Bad conference
- Not planning to come to Sea Tac 2011, due to location, Sunday food problems and program too long
- Great Job!
- Thanks for the conference. Spokane is a great place
- Thanks it was great to reconnect.
- Transportation unclear
- Like the conference in Spokane
- Wonderful experience
- This summer has been one of the best in 13 years of attending
- Great
- My district will not allow me to stay over – I am not sure I want to drive each day and evening back home and to Sea Tac.
- The program will need to be amazing for me to want to go to Sea Tac each day and home as it is too close to my district
- The room changes in the program booklet was confusing and upsetting
- WA-ACTE website Materials—late
- I had several conversations with participants new to my acquaintance, and for those I feel better “networked” my favorite part of the conference.
- I want to print an invoice w/out all the history
- Recognition at opening session of new members
- Information in conference brochure about shuttle services
- Summer dates are difficult to attend, would like to see Fall conference date (October)
- This survey is way to generic to astute any useful information. The agenda needs to be produced prior to registration so we can decide whether to spend the $350, did not feel I got my moneys worth at all.
- Better communication/organization in districts the complete list of events in advance.
- Just a wonderful conference, my head is swimming with new and innovative ideas my only complaint is the WA-ACTE website and customer service. Couldn’t find needed info clarifying on the new Project management class.
- Also the website needs a major facelift! Sorry to sound negative everything else was fabulous.
- Notification miss prints in brochure not good get it correct, meet the rubric
- The problems with moving registration from building to building needs to be addressed.
- First time here, everything went well - enjoyed my time
- Overall great conference
- Don’t do boxed lunches just let us be on own - put candy on the tables
- I looked at the website for conference information many times and was disappointed that the only information was the booklet handed out at the beginning. The booklet had to be printed a few days prior would have been great to view it on line earlier
- Make sure booklet is accurate
- Can a separate conference be developed to help small rural schools get help in running effective programs that meet all CTE requirements?
- Make sure registration opening time matches email information and program
- I go every other year to conference
2010 REGISTRATION Evaluation

- The new president seems more interested in wellness hour than improving CTE. We need more information on what the legislative is doing and more strategies to help us be better teachers,
- Good Job
- Please bring back luncheon tickets option to purchase with pre-registration online
- One of the best summer conferences I have attended
- Great job!
- FACSE registration too far away from main room
- WA-ACTE website materials have not expanded
- Hotel personnel very responsive
- Wondering where was Randy Dorn?
- No one knew about bus or shuttles!
- Very good conference! Thanks!
- Great job!
- This was my first conference and I thought you did a great job! I’m looking forward to the next one!
- The conference needs to be all sections together
- Where were the silent auction items? I never found them, they should have been at the vender area
- Good job!
- Our schedules were way different from the catalog and had mistakes. Hard to find correct rooms and missed the area meeting since it was not listed.
- Massage was great
- Easier access to all sessions, better food
- Program well written, a few mistakes that lead to a low attendance at FASCE business meeting
- Excellent guest speaker at CGCA luncheon on Tuesday- Brent Howard- maybe consider Brent as opening speaker next year’s conference
- I’m new and was asking a question at the registration booth and was given a very curt response. Perhaps the staff should work on customer service regardless of how stressed they are.
- Provide continental breakfast/coffee daily
- Printing on glossy paper makes it hard to take notes
- Excellent
- Great to be able to attend classes in the same hotel I stayed in, I think Spokane is the best place to have this, Seattle where I live has too much traffic congestion weather unpredictable
- Proof read before printing program
- Work with sections on timeline good for them.
- Programs gave wrong locations very disorganized
- Breakfast and lunch costs not online- should be

- What happened to Area meeting time? Not listed in program but did take place at the business meeting!
- Liked being on this side of the river!
- This conference was the best I’ve attended because I got actual curriculum I can use in my classroom the best sessions were the breakout session when possible it is nice to offer classes twice because often I want to attend two sessions at once.
- Website materials excellent, customer service excellent
- Keep in Spokane hate Sea Tac!
- Do the conference evaluation online on survey monkey,
- Make sure speakers show up
- Thanks to all the volunteers great program
- Color code name tags by association
- Not having the agenda until way after registration was not good
- No 7am meetings
2010 REGISTRATION Evaluation

- Make directions to BBQ more clear I didn’t know about bus
- Don’t host other session during OSPI update, host session that provide classroom/curriculum material
- I probably will rethink my participation if I attend again
- Great Tuesday night activity music food A+ love Spokane
- Have everything in one place or area, and provide shuttles constantly.
- Great conference, too much to choose from
- Awards program larger print or practice names – embarrassing to have winner’s name butchered- repeatedly-
- Don’t plan on attending August 14-17, 2011 conference - too late before school starts
- Thanks for your efforts
- Announcements regarding shuttle services
- Thanks –good conference
- More golf during conferences- Monday and Tuesday
- Had a great time. Loved the venue-please provide some healthier breakfast items - fruit would be lovely.
- Please let’s figure out another way to open the conference - 4 hours of sitting and listening to some talk is hard and boring.
- Where’s the job board? Cannot do that much time in one spot for the opening session. Maybe one session and then give it over to the sections. The sections need more time for specific part.
- Too much sitting at opening session
- Information came out really late - moving registration and auction too disjointed
- Great conference all WA ACTE staff is approachable and helpful. The site was good. Had all the equipment we asked for and needed. DoubleTree was a good venue - excited about next year!
- I appreciate all the hard work and effort everyone put forth to make the conference a success.
- Online registration should include all items section breakfasts, lunches etc.
- Too many program errors, multiple locations very confusing
- Would like to see conference move to fall combined with fall Ag Ed., FACSE, WAVA section fall conferences.
- I want to be in class, see my students, learn my needs - go in Oct.-Nov. then have materials to match my courses and students.
- Have scholarships available for those teachers whose school districts won’t pay. $350 is a lot of money.
- In packets have coupons for meal deals – really think we have seen enough of Spokane-Yakima, Bellevue, Yakima, Tri Cities - Sea Tac is good!
- Would love to see like in 1998 where you went to local community college and were able to take CTE certificate hands on classes.
- Thank you WA ACTE Board/Tim, Franciene, Tess for all of your time and efforts. Very professional run event!
- Need to publish final program at least one month earlier.
- Be sure maps are available for off campus sessions.
- Be sure online conference schedule is the same as what’s in the program.
- The conference was too spread out - what happened to ‘Inn at the Park’ as being the main location??
- What is with having a password to view the program? Keep it simple!!
- Please keep ending keynote to a ½ hour.
- Meet in Cabo
- Fabulous, again!!
- Sea Tac is too expensive
- Increase total clock hours available, increase hands-on activities or opportunities
- Academic Silos that is a 1930’s farm storage system that originated in Iowa and Illinois, how do we break down the barriers? So much for the 21st century and tech engineering!
- Can you create an alternative way to get ordinary even bad coffee instead of Starbucks in DT?
- Serve water with break and Monday lunch - do not like the off-site breakout sessions.
- Location and time will not work for my district to send me next year.
2010 REGISTRATION Evaluation

- Transpiration for any off site activity s/b provided (BBQ) great band and lots of fun just a hassle to get there – overall a good conference but a lot can be learned from this event.
- Having the conference a week later would be great!!
- The conference is excellent for CTE, I wouldn’t mind seeing more curriculum types and different classes being taught. Looking at the creative part of education.
- Parking on top of hotel, conference, and lunches became very pricey - for districts of smaller schools, tends to add up maybe one hotel next year.
- OSPI report should go to all
- Thanks for putting on a great conference! The CPR and First Aid was great - the closing speaker was good.
- Our presentation at the WSBEA/WADOT/WAME/CGCA Lunch was awesome! I think it was the best presentation I attended.
- Was a great venue received some great resources materials.
- Thank you for all the financial fitness workshops.
- Educational organizations should know equal access laws and follow them.
- Thank you for a great conference
- Needed better communication on shuttle to BBQ
- Didn’t like convention center for opening session.
- Stop using glossy paper for the program - switch to a matte finish so we can write notes on the program sheets.
- CTSO’s welcome should have been representative of all CTSO’s and not just FFA
- Why is WAVA @ Davenport that is ridiculous - keep closer together with the rest of us.
- Better communications about conference sessions needed to make good decision on attending - post registration information to registrants before school dismisses in June.
- Great idea to bring to westside of the state
- Thank You!
- Would like information posted on website sooner so can plan what to attend
- “The secretary filled out my registration” - better maps larger /larger font- separate page not squeezed onto program page
- Add the participants section name to the name tag at least for those with only 1 or 2 affiliations - many come to the section tables and do not know which section they are in.
- I really liked the wellness hour and opportunity to walk
- More advance notice of topics - more people would have been sent if they had realized math was the focus.
2010 BANQUET Evaluation

- Sunday awards banquet, food should have known how much; program not followed
- Banquet- the presentations were painful- lacked excitement. Suggestion- vary the award presenters. The banquet can be shortened. Add pictures. The banquet food situation should never have happened. $35.00 is too much for hors d’oeuvre!
- Better Banquet
- I just didn’t like the Spokane set up this year (in general)
- Award banquet was an embarrassment, unbelievable the expectation was to sit for 3 hours without a meal that you paid for. Understand things will happen but the customer service of not providing something to order from menu etc., was so very wrong.
- Sunday awards - poorly managed, over priced - under performance; finger food does not =a $35 /person banquet meal-shameful.
- Not enough food
- If you take the trouble to print a program follow it. Do not give but one award. Give presenters a time limit and allow all recipients to have someone that knows them make the presentation.
- Speakers need to know how to say all the names beforehand.
- Running out of food is tacky and frustration for the cost - limit amounts you may have first time through.
- Ceremony went too long probably because of all the shuffle between presenters
- Ran out of food
- Not enough food at banquet, limit award winners speeches-
- A sit down meal or regular buffet preferred
- Was dinner a dinner or something else?
- Thanks for the refund
- Awards at banquet were handled poorly
- Too little food, poor service
- Sunday banquet - not a banquet. Perhaps a better delivery method to insure all are fed.
- Will never go to awards banquet again
- Ran out of food twice - awards banquet and BBQ
- Sunday awards - I would attend this regularly if more professional. Food and set up looked beautiful but the process of giving awards was lacking.
- Food was obviously a problem but can be fixed.
- Need to have more food for all who paid for awards dinner.
- Awards banquet cold as heck - lack of food and need to run smoother
- Fewer awards given @Sunday banquet it felt negative and diluted the honorees, cut in half if possible
- Food too many awards poor organization and verbal presentations not good
- Not enough food, no salads and very cold
- Awards banquet ran too long and food fiasco should have been avoided
- Sunday banquet - break up awards for part at BBQ or fewer and food needs to be addressed but I’m sure you know.
- Know that the food issue Sunday was a reflection of the kitchen, not the committee - Perhaps a sit down meal not appetizers for the banquet.
- The banquet was the worst event I’ve attended in 23 years of summer conferences. It doesn’t matter there was too much food in Yakima last year. The banquet manager missed mark –badly you had 175 unhappy and hungry people Sunday night. No attempt at customer recovery. The hotel should have handed out $20 breakfast coupons. The bar should have been opened for free drinks. Spencer’s restaurant should have set up 100 hamburgers. I spent $35 for about $3.50 worth of food. Totally unacceptable. Don’t ever do it again
- Present the awards with excitement!
- The BBQ while delicious was perilous for people with disabilities why are we as an organization supporting a business who doesn’t meet the ADA regulations.
2010 BBQ Evaluation

- Transportation to BBQ needs improvement
- Shuttles
- Venue not accessible-exclusionary because of lack of transportation, food was delicious
- Tuesday BBQ fine - venue not handicapped accessible
- The BBQ site was unacceptable for our crowd
- BBQ area too small
- Glover Mansion dinner was good, but some people inside and some outside creates separations.
- The band was fabulous
- Information regarding shuttle service not well advertised especially to the BBQ
- Can we actually have a BBQ at our bldg - smoke in the air and everything?
- Good food, liked the beverages variety, liked the music
- Needed transportation to BBQ
- BBQ was great, food music, location beautiful
- BBQ transportation not clear
- BBQ shuttle a must!!
- We were not informed of transportation and felt is must be included
- BBQ great location very good food, excellent band some kind of shuttle service should have been arranged, supper band first hour of BBQ would have been nice to be quiet so all could visit. Play from 7-10 pm.
- BBQ was a blast - great music and good food.
- Music too loud at beginning and during dinner.
- People like to be outside and have opportunity to network and reconnect.
- Provide transportation for non-drivers to the BBQ, ask band to turn down the music a little bit during the dinner hour so people could converse and network instead of shouting at each other - great band though!!
2010 EXHIBITS Evaluation

- Exhibitors location/accessibility - one day was not enough
- Loved the facilities!! Great hotels more exhibitors
- Conference organizers and session facilitators need to coordinate so that registration reflects agenda. Thanks for lunch
- Having the vendors stay 2 days instead of one
- More last year
- Vendor sales pitches "workshops"
- More vendors
- Keep vendors proximate to seminars, I realize that there were unforeseen scheduling issues
- Too few exhibitors
- Try to get more textbook company at exhibit
- Good, very informative and helpful
- Exhibitors needed to be more than one day
- I wish you had more vendors - esp. Glencoe text
- Loved new location, missed Glencoe - more vendors
- The vendors were very well prepared and provided great information.
- No water stations on day one @cc this is unacceptable, hardly ever enough food at meals
- I am acquainted w/a few of the vendors, who signaled me out w/a few complaints. They were talking amongst themselves and a few have decided not to come back next year. Their main complaints were only having one vendor exhibit day, they essentially only had a ½ day to speak w/ potential customers and someone kept coming over the p.a. system asking conference attendees to leave the vendors area and location. Once the morning sessions were over breakouts were in another building well away from the vendors. The vendors, or at least this small group were not happy. For me the conference as usual was a great training opportunity
- Great location!
- Great place for the vendors!