

2017 Montana ACTE Fall Institute Features Roll Out of Brand New Montana Statewide Career Pathways



This year's Montana ACTE Fall Institute places you first in line to learn how you and your students benefit from the roll out of the new Montana Statewide Career Pathways. The fall Institute opens Thursday morning, October 19th with the traditional opening ceremonies at Fairmont Hot Springs Resort, just 15 miles west of Butte, Montana. The rollout of the Montana Statewide Career Pathways highlights a jam-packed agenda designed for you to:

- earn 12 continuing education credits including the new "power presentations" from institute exhibitors and division specific pathways presentations
- discover the latest in products and services that help you improve your teaching from CTE oriented exhibitors at the annual trade show
- join your friends and colleagues to catch up on their new teaching techniques at the Thursday night networking social or dinner and drinks at one of Butte's fun restaurants or clubs
- congratulate the teachers recognized at the annual awards luncheon.

The rollout of the Montana Statewide Career Pathways is the high point of the Institute. Office of Public Instruction (OPI) Career Technical Education (CTE) division administrator TJ Eyer described the new program as a transition from school based (secondary and postsecondary) pathways to a new system of statewide pathways designed to expand opportunities for students and minimize logistical challenges for teachers. Among the new program's strengths is an emphasis on dual enrollment, worked based learning and industry recognized credentials.

Representatives from OPI, the commissioner's office (OCHE) and the Big Sky Pathway Coordinators from Montana's two-year colleges host the rollout including giving you the opportunity to meet with them during the institute sessions and at the trade show. [Register today](#) to secure your place at the October 19 – 20 fall institute. Plus, phone Fairmont Hot Springs resort now to guarantee your room at very favorable Montana ACTE rates; 1-406-797-3241 or 1-800-332-3272.

The Keynote Speaker this year will be Bob Green retired as the Head Football Coach at Montana Tech following the 2010 season after leading the Orediggers for 24 seasons and spending almost 40 years in the coaching profession. During his tenure, Tech had its most successful period ever in football. During Coach Green's time at the Butte College, the Orediggers placed first, tied for first, or second in the Frontier Conference 16 times. Green led the Diggers to the NAIA National Playoffs 5 times including the 1996 National Championship Game.

By attending the fall institute you will discover new teaching approaches, find solutions to your shared challenges, share your best practices with colleagues and leave with constructive new ideas to take back to your school. You'll gain valuable insights and proven strategies that will improve your program and increase student achievement in your district as well as assist you in implementing pathways in your district.

This year's theme is "Cheers to 100 Years". The Smith-Hughes National Vocational Education Act of 1917 was an act of the United States Congress that promoted vocational agriculture to train people "who have entered upon or who are preparing to enter upon the work of the farm," and provided federal funds for this purpose. Join us in celebrating 100 years of Career and Technical Education.

MAFCSE Update

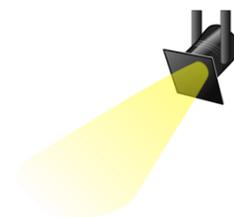
Greetings! I am hoping you are all reading this after you have enjoyed a summer full of fun and family! As we prepare to start another productive and sure to be eventful school year I hope you take the time to renew your Montana ACTE membership as we have an exciting conference coming for you this year! This year's conference will be held in Fairmont Hot Springs in Anaconda, MT on October 19th and 20th. We have a great line up of presentations set up and I hope you can join us for some rejuvenating workshops and fellowship.



Family and Consumer Sciences sessions will vary providing a little something for everyone to take back to their classrooms. This includes workshops provided by the Home Baking Association. These sessions will include baking STEAM labs, resources and hands on activities. There will also be roundtable sharing of resources including hospitality and tourism as well as work ethics in the classroom. I hope you will join us in "soaking up" some exciting hands-on professional development in Fairmont! [<Read More>](#) **Jocelyn Sumner, MAFCSE President**

Chapter Spotlight and New Lesson Plans

This edition of Montana ACTE E-News has chapter spotlights from MBEA featuring Stanford, Hobson, Helena and Roundup. Check it out by [clicking here](#). Also in this edition are two new lesson plans by MAFCSE. Click on the CTE Lesson Plan link on the newsletter header to access these lesson plans.



MBEA Update

Welcome back! I hope you all had a great, relaxing summer and are ready to begin another school year with new ideas and a refreshed mind. You might have heard that Chad Eichenlaub, MBEA president has ventured to Alaska to teach business classes this upcoming school year. His leadership and expertise will be greatly missed. As president-elect, I am now stepping in to fill Chad's position this year. I am excited and a little nervous for this new adventure!

This year's MT ACTE conference, "Cheers to 100 Years", will be held in Fairmont Hot Springs, October 19th-20th. We have some exciting sessions planned for Business Education. Next Generation Personal Finance will be presenting on their curriculum resources: "Budgeting with a Roommate" and "Tale of Two Credit Scores". NGPF is also offering a FinCamp Friday, October 20th from 1:00-6:00pm for interested teachers. They will provide a night of lodging and dinner. Eric Swenson's Wednesday Reader will have information about the NGPF FinCamp with more details and a Google Form link to fill out, if you are interested in attending. In the meantime, feel free to email me with any questions, bogunovichn@billingschools.org. Montana Council for Economic Education will also be presenting on some excellent Economic and Personal Finance topics. Lisa Parker will also be providing attendees with updates from the world of Business Professionals of America. John Stiles will be providing information and updates on behalf of DECA. Enjoy the last few days of your summer vacation. I hope to see you all this October in Fairmont! [<Read More>](#)

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