

2018 Montana ACTE Fall Institute to Focus on Teaching the Next Generation

This year's theme for the Montana ACTE Fall Institute is **"Say YES to CTE: Educating the Next Generation"**. It will be at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center on October 18-19. Registration information can be accessed [here](#).



The Keynote Speaker this year will be Andrew McPeak. Andrew is a millennial speaker and content developer with Growing Leaders. His experiences as both a presenter and curriculum designer have led him to become well versed in communicating to and about the next generation. In his role as Program Excellence Manager, he works closely with schools, universities, companies and sports teams on implementing Habitudes as a tool to teach life and leadership skills. This experience enables him to help leaders understand how to craft their message in a way that best connects with today's student.

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. See you in Billings.

MAFCSE Update

Welcome back to the 2018-2019 School year from Montana ACTE. I don't know about you but my summer was filled with hours of traveling, family time, and catching up with old friends. It was an amazing summer for me. And now it is already time to start making plans to attend the MACTE Fall Institute in Billings on October 18th and 19th. **"Say 'Yes' to CTE: Educating the Next Generation"** is our theme. Last year, at the 2017 fall institute, we learned all about the new Montana State Career Pathways and we will continue to learn more about these Pathways this year. Andrew McPeak is our keynote speaker, he is a content developer with Growing Leaders. The vision at Growing Leaders is: "Imagine a world improved, even transformed, by the next generation." He will talk about Generation Z, our newest generation, and explain how we can instill leadership and life skills in our students today. Be sure to sign up to reserve your spot at this year's fall institute, it will be informative and exciting. Don't forget to attend the Exhibitor Power Workshops during the day on Thursday and Friday to gain some new insights into the world of education. I can't wait to see you all in Billings in October. Invite a new CTE teacher from your school to come with you and introduce them to our fantastic Montana CTE team.



Becky Bruce, Montana ACTE President

MAFCSE Update

It is August and most of our schools within the state of Montana will start school within 3 -4 weeks. As educators we look back at our summer and always ask; where did it disappear to.

You have either had a second job, attended conferences, workshops, updates, family reunions, weddings or possibly accomplished a major cleaning or purging of ones house. As reality sets in, we have to face the idea of going back to the classroom and getting it prepared for a new batch of students. As I reflect on the past school year, the biggest challenge for me is the Cell Phone.

This year I'm going to deal with the dreaded "Cell Phone" in the classroom or not? It is always a hot topic at our teacher meetings and an issue that rarely has a qualified answer. We are all CTE teachers; stressing the use of technology within our classroom but what life skill are we really teaching our youth about Cell phone manners. The debate can be endless but here are a few challenging thoughts on the use of cellphones in our classrooms. The positive: parents peace of mind and having a GPS track on their child, instant answers for the curious at heart (Kahoot of course!), exposed to creative ideas (Pinterest), creating videos for a classroom assignment (Mayhem videos for my Financial Literacy - Insurance), Social learning (Sharing of quality information), and getting a call from your parents to ride the bus home! The negative: Cyberbullying, distraction in the classroom, inappropriate materials, disconnects face-to-face social activities, family time, manners (what is that?), negative attitude, cheating, playing games and total distraction in the classroom. How do we deal with these new challenges within the classroom?

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Kimberli McCullough, MAFCSSE President

MBEA Update

Hope you all had a relaxing and restful summer break! I'm sure you all are busy getting ready to begin a new school year. The MT ACTE conference and NGPF FinCamp is just around the corner. This year's MT ACTE conference will take place in Billings, MT, October 17-19th, 2018. MBEA sessions include: NextGen Personal Finance, Breakout Edu--Business Style, Business Update from Eric Swenson, and Entrepreneurship. This year we are also excited to bring back the networking social for MBEA members during the MT ACTE conference. Please plan to join us at Canyon Creek Brewery for drinks and conversation with other business teachers across the state. More information will be provided in the MT ACTE conference booklet. We have some exciting session offered this year, so make sure you register for the conference!

Next Gen Personal Finance FinCamp is returning to Montana again this year. The FinCamp will take place after the MT ACTE conference, Friday through Saturday. NGPF will provide hotel accommodations for Friday evening for all attendees. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Hope to see you all at this year's MT ACTE conference in Billings, MT. Have a great start to the school year. In the meantime, feel free to email me with any questions, bogunovichn@billingssschools.org.

Nicole Bogunovich, MBEA President

Chapter Spotlight and New Lesson Plans

The Huntley Project FFA had the opportunity to meet and visit with Vice President Mike Pence during his recent trip to Billings in July to rally support for Matt Rosendale. Pictured is Bambi Dalke, Chapter Advisor with members Cody Johannes, Leslie Lie, and Brooke Johnson. Also in this edition are new lesson plans by MAAE and MBEA. Click on the CTE Lesson Plan link on the newsletter header to access these lesson plans.

