

2019 MACTE Fall Institute: Strengthening Quality Programs

This year's theme for the Montana ACTE Fall Institute is "**CTE: Strengthening Quality Programs**". It will be at the Heritage Inn in Great Falls on October 17-18. Registration information can be accessed [here](#).

The Keynote Speaker this year will be Rachael Mann. Rachael Mann is the founder of #TeachlikeTED and coauthor of *The Martians in Your Classroom*. She speaks and writes about the future of education and helps educators rethink the learning spaces of today. Prior to #TeachlikeTED, Rachael was the Network to Transform Teaching and STEM Professional Learning Director for Northern Arizona University's AZK12 Center and State Director for Educators Rising Arizona. A former high school Career and Technical Education teacher and hailing from a family of educators, she has 14 years of classroom teaching experience. Rachael is a Google Certified Educator with a master's degree in Educational Leadership. She is a founding member of the Council on the Future of Education and serves on the NCLA Executive Board and the ACTE Executive Board representing the New and Related Services division.



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 Great Falls.

Presidents Message

Last night I realized that it was a full moon (pretty). This morning I realized that it is Friday the 13th. (HmMMM! Do I have the energy for this?) My rejuvenating and restful summer is over and the excitement of school is back in full swing. I know that I enjoy working with the youth in my community, and that includes all of their little quirks. I also know that I have the potential to rebuild my self during the year. For me, several things work. I scrape together at least an hour once a week and sew (yes, I know I am an agriculture teacher. Some of us in specific professional will surprise you with our hobbies.), or garden or even attend a professional development workshop.



Speaking of professional development workshop, we have a few coming up in ACTE. First I look forward seeing everyone at fall conference in Great Falls. The learning, quality of speaker and the social networking all work toward giving me more of the energy I need. Second you should check out ACTE's CareerTech VISION in Anaheim, CA. National conferences are always exceptional. The quality and quantity of available workshop cannot be found anywhere else. I know it is easy for our officers to attend, however, I think it is important for everyone to attend at least once in their career. You don't know what you are missing until you see it for yourself. Have a great school year and I hope to see you all in Great Falls in October.

Carla Leligdowicz, Montana ACTE President

MAFCSE Update

This year, FCCLA will be celebrating its 75th anniversary with the 2019-2020 theme "Your Story." True to FCCLA's central focus of the family, we rely on our FCCLA family of the past, present, and future to share "Your Story" in helping us write OUR Story as we continue to impact family, careers, and communities across America. Here's a sneak peek of what FCCLA has in store this year! "Your Story," is the theme for FCCLA this year, as we celebrate 75 years chapters are invited to share their story, the stories of their members and the stories of their community. The National FCCLA website has provided some activities to help advisers and students celebrate FCCLA and share their stories this year. National FCCLA will be held in Washington D.C. July 5-9th, 2020. [<Read More>](#)



Cathe Felz, MAFCS President

Calling All Officers

Welcome back to another school year. As we gear up for an exciting Montana Association of Career and Technical Education Fall Conference we will be voting for a slate of officers in each division as well as Montana ACTE Vice President. In order to become an officer in your division there is only one requirement; volunteer. Many years ago I raised my hand at a meeting and was later handed a binder that included all of the information related to the duties and expectations of the association. [<Read More>](#)



Jennifer Rohrer, MACTE President Elect

MBEA Update

As the 2019-20 school year gets underway the MACTE Fall Institute approaches and there are some important dates and events for business teachers. We are looking for award nomination; there is a first time attendee scholarship available and BPA and DECA are gearing up. Please click the link to get more information on each item. [<Read More>](#)



Calie Wineingar, MBEA President

New Lesson Plans

Lesson plans submitted by Montana ACTE officers or divisions are posted each cycle of the newsletter. This newsletter has a great idea for Artisan Bread Baking Tips: Poolish & Biga. Check the [Resources tab](#) of the Montana ACTE website for this and other exciting lessons submitted by Montana ACTE teacher. Click on the CTE Lesson Plan link on the newsletter header to access these lesson plans.