

2021 MACTE Fall Institute: Growing Leaders Through CTE

This year's theme for the Montana ACTE Fall Institute is "**Growing Leaders Through CTE**". It will be at the Best Western GranTree Inn in Bozeman on October 21-22. Registration is open and information can be accessed [here](#).

The Keynote Speaker this year will be Brooks Harper. Brooks is the premier College and Workforce Readiness speaker in America! He provides Keynotes, Workshops, and Training Material for students and professionals helping them discover, develop, market and sell their talents, skills and abilities that bring tangible value to the market place. He connects-the-dots between today's decisions and tomorrow's college and career options. Brooks draws from 15 years of leadership experience in Corporate America to invest in and inspire our current and future workforce!



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 classroom and 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 Bozeman!

Presidents Message

I would like to take the time to welcome you all back to a new school year. Some are back full time without restriction while others have mandates of some type. Just like each year we are looking forward to a new school year. Students as well as staff are looking forward to interacting with each other in our different areas of our schools. With that in mind our Fall Institute is focused on leadership and growing the future leaders of our communities as well as our state and country. Industry leaders that will build, repair, prepare and grow the various things that make our everyday lives more convenient and comfortable. Until then these future leaders look to us as educators to set the example of how to lead and accomplish the tasks that most people no longer want to undertake. We have had extraordinary circumstances recently with all the things happening in the world and in my opinion that we have all done well even under these extreme conditions. As we embark on this year's journey I would just like to take the time to say thank you to each and every one of you for all you do. I know this year will be bigger and better than the last and remember the Fall Institute is October 21-22 this year in Bozeman. We will be delivering a hybrid institute this year. That means if you want to attend in person, you will have that opportunity. If you would like to attend online, we will have that option also. Brooks Harper will be the guest speaker this year and will give some great insight on getting our students into the workforce. I look forward to seeing you all there!



Eric Croft, Montana ACTE President

New CTE Professionals Hybrid Workshop 2021

The Office of Public Instruction's Career, Technical, & Adult Education unit invites all new Montana Career & Technical Education (CTE) professionals to participate in a FREE hybrid professional learning experience.

The New CTE Professionals Hybrid Workshop 2021 offers early-career professionals—those new to the classroom, as well as those with five years or less of experience—the ability to develop essential knowledge and skills for success in the classroom and in the Career & Technical Education teaching profession. Individuals who have participated in the past are also invited to participate again. Participants will also discover leadership and professional growth opportunities available for themselves and their students. [<Read More>](#)



MBEA Update

The MBEA has a great lineup for the second day of Fall Institute! Attendees can look forward to Eric Swenson's dynamic presentation, several round table discussions, and an engaging and prize-filled Youth Entrepreneurs Activity. We will have a social Thursday evening as well, details to be determined.

We're still on the hunt for more people to get involved with the board. Please contact Mandy Wichman - mandy.wichman@hobson.k12.mt.us - if you're interested in joining our team. Also, nominations for Teacher of the Year, New Teacher of the Year, and Lifetime Achievement can be sent to Calie - cwineinger@froidschools.com. Watch the Monday Messenger for all things BPA. Fall Leadership is a go in person in Fairmont, and it looks like DECA is also moving back to in-person conferences!



Hopefully everyone is off to a safe and healthy start of the year. Many teachers start the year off with engaging group activities and interactive lessons. Did you all know that NGPF has lessons already built in Nearpod? Students enjoy the gamified pieces of Nearpod, and teachers see benefit in the way it pulls all students into the lesson. Nearpod helps eliminate the back of the room mentality in our kids. When you get to Nearpod.com, search the library for NGPF to find many lesson resources that you can edit to fit your situation.

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Mandy Wichman, MBEA President

MITEA Update

Hello All!!! I hope your school year is off to a fabulous start. Once you get rolling with your classes the next exciting event is the MACTE Fall Conference! MITEA has some interesting and worthwhile activities planned for you. Obviously, we'll kick it off with our social, which will be at Bridger Brewing- you can't go wrong with pizza and beer! The following morning after our division meeting Gallatin High School has graciously allowed us to use their facilities. We will start with a tour of the high school, and then move into our "Teachers Teaching Teachers" event (I stole the name). To support our subject diversity there will be a variety of topics covered that include areas of welding, woods, auto, engineering, and perhaps even photography. Teachers will get to attend three different 35-minute lessons that are of your choosing. More details to follow at our division meeting! See you there!



Roni Robertson, MITEA President