

Upcoming Events

January

- 1-31 - College & Career Readiness Workshop
- 1-31 - CTE 101 Online
- 6-7 - AFNR Winter Professional Development
- 11 - Standards Implementation Training
- 16-17-18 Program Applications Open
- 25 - Standards Implementation Training

February

- 1-28 - College & Career Readiness Workshop
- 1-28 - CTE Month
- 4-6 - SD Tech Ed Conference
- 6-10 - National School Counseling Week
- 8-9 - Legislative Shadow Day
- 12-18 - FCCLA Week
- 13 - Information Technology Best Practices
- 27 - State DECA

For more information on these upcoming events, visit: <https://southdakota.gosignmeup.com>.



SD CTE Recognized at National Conferences

The joint Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) and National Association of Agricultural Educators (NAAE) convention took place Nov. 30-Dec. 3, in Las Vegas. South Dakota was well represented, with teachers earning recognitions and serving as office holders.

Shane Gross, Sanborn Central and Woonsocket, received the NAAE Teachers Turn the Key professional development scholarship. The Teachers Turn the Key scholarship brings together agricultural educators with four or fewer years of experience and immerses them in three days of professional development that addresses issues specific to the early years of teaching agriculture.

Kelly Keller, Arlington, was selected to participate in the NAAE eXcellence in Leadership for Retention (XLR8) program. XLR8 is a year-long professional development program that targets agriculture teachers in their 7th-15th year of teaching. The overall goals of this program include:

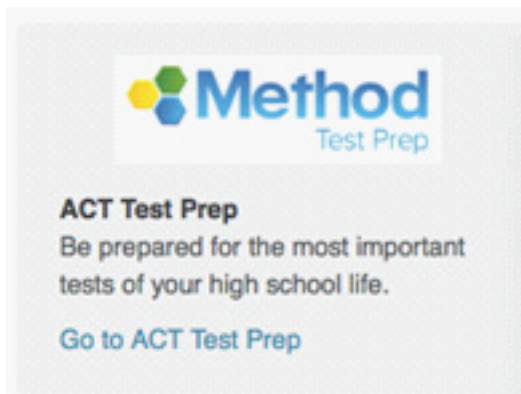
developing experienced teacher leaders who will mentor other teachers in the profession; providing mid-career level specific professional development to participants; as well as increasing overall longevity and satisfaction of participants with their chosen career of teaching agriculture.

Lisa Steinken, Rapid City Central High School, received the NAAE Ideas Unlimited award for Region III. The Ideas Unlimited contest is designed to give members an opportunity to exchange classroom, SAE, leadership, and other teaching ideas.

John Rist, Viborg, was named the ACTE Region V Winner and a National Finalist for the ACTE Carl Perkins Community Service Award. The Carl Perkins Community Service Award is presented to ACTE members who have used CTE to make a significant impact on a community/humanitarian cause through leadership in programs and activities that promote community involvement.

Earn Graduate Credit While Learning About MTP ACT Test Prep

Want to learn about MTP and to share what you learn with parents and school staff and earn a graduate credit at the same time? Join us for a self-paced, online experience starting January 5, 2017 through April 15, 2017. Course requirements include: participating in one webinar, experiencing MTP as a student and completing various lessons and activities, presenting MTP information to parents and school staff, and promoting MTP with written or electronic communication. This University of Sioux Falls course is open to high school teachers, high school principals, and school counselors and is limited to 30



participants. To reserve your spot and for more information about registration and course requirements, email Janeen.Outka@teachwell.org

CTE 101 Online Begins Soon! Register TODAY!

Are you a new CTE teacher? Or, are you an experienced teacher who is looking to learn more about the latest trends in CTE? Then this course is for you.

This January, the Division of Career & Technical Education will be hosting a month-long, online CTE 101 course. The course will kick-off on January 4,

with a one-hour webinar, and then will continue throughout the month using a combination of on-line meetings and assignment completion via Edmodo. CTE 101 is a course for teachers already certified, it does not offer credits for those working towards certification. To register for the course, please visit <https://southdakota.gosignmeup.com>.

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News release found here: <http://www.acteonline.org/general.aspx?id=10932#.WEbPqP7ruUI>

Beverly Rieck, Dell Rapids, was named the ACTE Region V Winner and a National Finalist for the ACTE Lifetime Achievement Award. This award recognizes the contributions and distinguished accomplishments of members who have been identified with the work and purposes of the Association for Career and Technical

Education over an extended period of time.

News release found here: <http://www.acteonline.org/general.aspx?id=10933#.WEbQVv7ruUI>

Terry Rieckman, McCook Central, finished his year of service as NAAE President and will now serve a year as NAAE Past President. He also served as Region III Vice-President from 2011-2014.

Promotional Period Offered from Certiport

Justin Barker, the South Dakota representative from Certiport has created a site where teachers state-wide can request free curriculum and practice demos that align to any certification offered by Certiport.

This promo includes Microsoft Office Specialist, Microsoft Technology Associate, IC3 Digital Literacy, Adobe Certified Associate, Autodesk Certified User, and QuickBooks Certified User.

If you look at the site, you will see that you can fill out a form so he knows the program of interest. This information goes directly to Justin and he will personally respond with the demo material opening the link of communication for any questions about the certification programs.

This initial promotional opportunity will end on 2/28/2017, but he plans to open the campaign again in the future for any of those who miss out on the initial opportunity. Use this promo link to explore: Learn.Certiport.com/empower-SD



HOT CAREERS – Wind turbine service technicians

Wind turbine service technicians, also known as windtechs, install, maintain, and repair wind turbines.

Wind turbines are large mechanical devices that convert wind energy into electricity. They are located in areas where there is a lot of wind. The structure is made up of three major components: a tower, three blades, and a nacelle, which is composed of an outer case, brakes, generator, and gearbox. Wind turbine service technicians install and repair the various components of these structures.

The mean annual wage for this career is \$53,030, and there is an expected 12.6% increase in need for workers in this occupation. To learn more about this occupation, such as wages, geographical profiles, and industry profiles, please visit: <http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes499081.htm#ind>.

What Do You Want?!?

Tell Us What You Want to See at the 2017 Summer Conference!

This year's conference will be held in Brookings on July 31-August 1, on the campus of SDSU. As we make plans for sessions, we want to hear from you about the types of topics you would like to see at conference. If you have ideas for topics you would like to learn about, please submit them [here](#).

Or, if you already have a presentation idea prepared, you can submit your presentation proposal [here](#).

The deadline to submit suggestions for conference sessions and presentation proposals is January 27, 2017.



In The News

- Students Eye The Future At Career Fair
- Worker Shortage In Restaurant Industry
- Tech Institutes Can Offer a Degree for Students with Scattered Credits

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