

## Upcoming Events

### January

22-30 – Improve 2019 Meetings

### February

5-6 – CTSO Legislative Shadow Days

11-15 – FCCLA Week

18-22 – FFA Week

24-25 – State DECA



## CTE Month Coming in February

As educators, you know the importance of preparing your students for college and careers. CTE Month is an opportunity to share that importance with your school, students, and community! Each February, students, teachers, administrators and counselors celebrate CTE Month. Here are some ideas on how you can celebrate CTE and share CTE with others:

- Share facts about CTE (use our easy to share [one-page fact sheet](#)).
- Invite visitors (parents, community members) to see your CTE program.
- Promote your CTE student organizations with a membership drive.
- Get social! Use social media to spread the word about your CTE program.
- Make an official proclamation recognizing February as CTE Month in your school.
- Create infographics or short movies to promote your CTE programs throughout your school.

### Improve 2019

CTE Learning that works for South Dakota

All districts with approved CTE programs are requested to bring a team of CTE instructors, school counselors or administrators to Improve 2019! Perkins Consortium Directors are also requested to attend. This meeting was formerly known as 'Program Improvement' or 'PIP'.

- Districts are asked to attend on their assigned date and location to enable consortium level collaboration.
- Questions? Contact your regional CTE specialist or [Kim.Roth@state.sd.us](mailto:Kim.Roth@state.sd.us)
- Determine your designated meeting date/ location and register TODAY! See chart below.

Improve 2019's Agenda Includes:

- Discover the opportunities and expectations Perkins V will bring to your local CTE program.
- Evaluate what drives your local CTE program and a variety of related data elements.
- Identify next steps for building rigorous, industry relevant CTE programming that meets both student and labor market needs.

Step 1: Find your consortium or district	Step 2: Register using link
<b>BADLANDS CONSORTIUM, BLACK HILLS SPECIAL SERVICES COOP, NORTH STAR CONSORTIUM</b> Spearfish, Rapid City, Douglas, Meade	<a href="#">Rapid City Meeting- Tuesday, January 22, 2019</a>
<b>CHEYENNE-EAGLE BUTTE CONSORTIUM, NORTHWEST AREA EDUCATIONAL COOP, PIERRE/STANLEY CONSORTIUM, MISSOURI RIVER CONSORTIUM, THREE RIVERS COOP, WEST RIVER CONSORTIUM</b> Takini, Tiospa Zina, Todd County, Cheyenne-Eagle Butte, Crow Creek, St. Francis	<a href="#">Pierre Meeting - Wednesday, January 23, 2019</a>
<b>GREAT LAKES CONSORTIUM, NORTHEAST CONSORTIUM NORTHERN SD HI TECH CONSORTIUM</b> Aberdeen	<a href="#">Aberdeen Meeting- Thursday, January 24, 2019</a>
<b>ETHAN PARKSTON WINNER CONSORTIUM, PARAGON RIDGE CONSORTIUM, MITCHELL AREA CONSORTIUM, SOUTH CENTRAL CO-OP</b> Chamberlain, Huron	<a href="#">Mitchell Meeting- Monday, January 28, 2019</a>
<b>BIG SIOUX EDUCATION CONSORTIUM, CORNBELT EDUCATIONAL COOP, DAKOTA VALLEY-VERMILLION CONSORTIUM, SOUTHEAST AREA COOP, EAST DAKOTA EDUCATIONAL COOPERATIVE</b> Sioux Falls, Yankton, Brandon Valley, Dell Rapids ST. Mary, SF Christian, SF Catholic	<a href="#">Sioux Falls Meeting- Tuesday, January 29, 2019</a>
<b>BROOKINGS AREA CONSORTIUM, DEW-AL VOC CONSORTIUM, NORTHEAST TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL, PRAIRIE LAKES CONSORTIUM</b> Sisseton	<a href="#">Brookings Meeting- Wednesday, January 30, 2019</a>

# iTeachU 2019

Announcing "iTeachU" 2019 which is scheduled for Thursday, February 28th (9 am -3 pm) on the campus of SDSU. "iTeachU" is an annual event that introduces participants to a career in teaching while simultaneously providing a glimpse into college life. If you would like to know more about this event, please check out the Nov/Dec 2018 issue of Techniques magazine.

Applications are due on February 4, 2019.

Please encourage students who are interested in exploring careers in secondary education to apply. Special emphasis will be placed on Family & Consumer Sciences Education and Agricultural Education.

## SD Technology Education Association (SDTEA) Meeting

When: January 31, February 1 and 2

Where: Econo Lodge (formerly Kings Inn in Pierre)

For more information you can visit the SDTEA website at [www.sdtea.k12.sd.us](http://www.sdtea.k12.sd.us)

New members are welcome, and dues are \$100.00. This includes noon meal and dinner on Friday only. Hotel or motels are on your own if you plan on staying Thursday and Friday Night.



## High School Career Conversations

You've noticed the 10th graders aren't using their full potential to do well in their math class. How can you help foster development in this area? Utilize the High School Career Conversations.

High School Career Conversations provide discussion starters as a means of fostering student development. This strengths-based tool aligns the American School Counselor Association (ASCA) Mindsets & Behaviors for Student Success: K-12 College- and Career-Readiness Standards for Every Student. Whether or not you are familiar with these standards, you simply need to do the following to best utilize the High School Career Conversations:

1) Determine which ASCA Mindsets & Behaviors for Student Success: K-12 College- and Career-Readiness Standards for Every Student are being addressed based on the student's (or students') needs.

[In the example above, M 5.: Belief in using abilities to their fullest to achieve high-quality results and outcomes.]

2) Find the corresponding questions for students, parents and community members in the same row as the standard being addressed.

[Using the example scenario and M 5, the following discussion items/questions are listed for students:

- Describe a time you felt successful.
- Describe your strengths.
- What would other people say about your strengths?
- When thinking of your future, are there any skills you would like to further develop?
- What can you do to make this happen?

This standard also has questions that could be used with teachers:

- In what ways do you convey results to students in the classroom?
- How do you personally celebrate progress?
- How do you celebrate progress with your students?
- Would you like more information on how to interpret assessment results?
- How do you think we might use our assessment results to more positively motivate students?

3) Finally, determine which questions are relevant for the situation and then ask.

Once a conversation is started using the Middle School Career Conversations, you can then get a picture of what intervention you could implement to help further foster development in an area.

In looking at the High School Career Conversations guide, you will notice there are questions that can be asked to parents, community members, as well as students. The guide really serves the purpose of prompting a conversation related to career development.

Access the High School Career Conversations at: <https://www.schoolcounselor.org/asca/media/asca/Publications/HSCareerConversations.pdf>.

Next month's Career Conversation Starters feature will cover the Postsecondary Academic Career Conversation Starters. If you can't wait until then, you can check out all five types of them on [ASCA's Career Conversation Starters web page](#).



# In The News

## Madison Students Gain CNA Experience Through Partnership with Local Nursing Home

<http://listen.sdpb.org/post/madison-students-gain-cna-experience-through-partnership-local-nursing-home>

## Harrisburg Students Launch Business Selling Balloons

<https://www.argusleader.com/story/news/education/2019/01/10/harrisburg-school-district-students-launch-business-selling-balloons/2524225002/>

## WHS Students Grab Attention of Samsung

[https://www.thepublicopinion.com/news/local\\_news/whs-students-grab-attention-of-samsung/article\\_38322407-f357-57d2-bcd7-08f029314dcd.html](https://www.thepublicopinion.com/news/local_news/whs-students-grab-attention-of-samsung/article_38322407-f357-57d2-bcd7-08f029314dcd.html)

## MTI Finalist for \$1 Million Prize

[https://www.keloland.com/news/education/mti-finalist-for-1-million-prize/1698342951?utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=facebook\\_KELOLAND\\_News](https://www.keloland.com/news/education/mti-finalist-for-1-million-prize/1698342951?utm_medium=social&utm_source=facebook_KELOLAND_News)

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# Announcing career exploration resources for educators

Career Launch SD was established under the leadership of Governor Dennis Daugaard to increase student awareness about career opportunities in their communities and help meet South Dakota's demand for a skilled workforce. The South Dakota Department of Education features work-based learning resources on its [Work-Based Learning webpage](#).

To help schools, businesses, parents and others join the effort to increase student awareness about careers, so they can make informed decisions as they enter the workforce, the Department of Labor and Regulation (DLR) has also developed resources to assist with incorporating career information in the classroom:

- Career Launch SD Career Advisors have created and assembled the material found in the new [Career Launch SD Work-Based Learning Toolkit](#) to serve as a resource for educators as they assist students with career awareness and exploration. Find grab-and-go lesson plans relating to soft skills and career exploration, as well as guides and forms to start or supplement districts' job shadow and internship programs.

In a [recent webinar](#), DLR's Career Program Coordinator [Crystal Trevino](#) gave a brief overview of the new [Career Launch SD Work-Based Learning Toolkit](#). Questions about the toolkit? Contact [Crystal Trevino](#).

- DLR's Labor Market Information Center (LMIC) has a new feature. There is now a way for students or other career planners to [explore South Dakota occupational opportunities by career cluster](#). Each cluster includes a list of occupations in that cluster. By clicking on any occupation, the user can view the information available on the occupation, including projected outlook and wage information, and even current job openings.

o The LMIC offers [many resources](#), including the following career publications for students, organized by grade level:

- [Career Peeks for grades K-2](#)
- [Career Aware for grades 3-5](#)
- [Career Wonders for grades 5-8](#)
- [Career Destinations, a tool for students preparing for a career fair](#).

Questions on LMIC resources or publications? Contact [Melodee Lane](#), 605-626-2314.

## NCRC News

If you have not yet scheduled the National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC) assessments for the 2018-19 school year, we still have openings!

To date, during the 2018-2019 school year, 2,036 students have been assessed

To schedule a testing date, email [Heather Nelson](#) (east river) or [Barb Unruh](#) (west river). [Learn more about the NCRC.](#)

Platinum	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Incomplete	No Certificate	Total
313	479	665	435	7	137	2,036
15.37%	23.53%	32.66%	21.37%	0.34%	6.73%	100.00%

## Assessment Tip

When students are fully informed about the NCRC and its benefits, higher certificate levels are achieved. Please make time as a group to view the [NCRC PowerPoint](#) before the assessment day.

## Exploring Occupations by Career Cluster



**Arts, Audio/Video Technology and Communications** Create and produce an award-winning future. Explore great South Dakota career opportunities in [Arts, Audio/Visual Technology and Communications!](#)



**Business Management and Administration** Plan and organize a highly successful operation known as your future. Explore great South Dakota career opportunities in [Business Management and Administration!](#)