

## Upcoming Events

### November

27 – National Ag Education Summit

28-Dec. 1 – CareerTech VISION Conference

### December

1 – CTE for Core Content Applications Due

2-3 – FFA State Leadership  
Development Events



## CTE for Core Content Applications Due Dec. 1

South Dakota schools may offer students the opportunity to earn academic credit by completing approved career and technical education courses that address the pertinent standards within the curriculum. Approval to offer credit must be obtained through an application process with the Department of Education. The application must include:

- Course syllabus;
- Standards based curriculum;
- Teacher certification;
- Assessment of standards by methods including end-of-course exams, authentic assessment, project-based learning or rubrics.

These applications are due December 1, 2018, and you can find the application and additional information here: <https://doe.sd.gov/cte/corecontentcredit.aspx>.

## CAREER CONVERSATION STARTERS

*Tell me about a time you felt proud of something you accomplished at school in the last few months.*

*After taking career assessments, what do you notice is most important to you in a career?*

*Tell me about your responsibilities in and out of school.*

These items listed above are question starters featured in Career Conversation Starters. The question starters aim to prompt discussion on items related to career development. They are also aligned to the American School Counselor Association (ASCA) Mindsets & Behaviors for Student Success: College- and Career-Readiness Standards for Every Student.

There are five types of Career Conversation Starters, spanning from middle school up into postsecondary

education, so in the upcoming months, each type will be featured. This month features the general Career Conversation Starters, which can be facilitated with students by variety of people. Whether it be a teacher, school counselor, or parent, any of these stakeholders may use the general Career Conversation Starter with students as a way to 'open the door' to meaningful conversations centered around career. Access the three-page guide at: <https://www.schoolcounselor.org/asca/media/asca/Publications/CareerConversationStarters.pdf>.

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

# SD Delegation Participates in Minnesota CTE Pathways Tour

On Tuesday, Nov. 6, nearly 30 CTE Teachers, Administrators, DOE staff and community members embarked on a two-day bus tour of exemplary CTE programs in Minnesota.

Stops on Tuesday included Minnesota West Community & Technical College in Granite Falls, where participants toured the school, talked to students, and heard a presentation on the Lyft Career Pathways model.

From there, the bus traveled the 90 minutes to Alexandria, MN, where they were hosted by the Academies of Alexandria, the public high school that has deeply invested in the Academies model of learning. Along with their students, staff and parents, much of the community has been involved in supporting and growing the different academies, which include the Freshman Academy, the Business, Communication & Entrepreneurship Academy, the Engineering, Manufacturing Technologies, and Natural Resources Academy, and the Health Sciences & Human Services Academy. Participants were also provided a tour of the school by student ambassadors, who were able to give the tour attendees a view of the Academy format from a student perspective.

On Wednesday, the tour's first stop was at the Academies of Shakopee, in Shakopee, MN. With student and community input, Shakopee created academies in Health Science, Business & Entrepreneurship, Engineering & Manufacturing, Human Services, Science & Technology, and Arts & Communication, which are small learning communities of

students and teachers organized around areas of interest. Shakopee also offers a Freshman Academy. Like Alexandria's, these Freshman Academies allow students to spend time discovering their own interests and chose a home academy for their final three years of high school. Each of Shakopee's Academies have "Academy Champions", local business and community organizations who have pledged time, talent and treasures to give academy students a competitive edge, ensuring college AND career readiness.

The final stop on Wednesday, before the trip back to South Dakota, was at the Career & Technical Education Center at Heintz, in Rochester, MN. CTECH is a collaboration between Rochester Public Schools, Rochester Community and Technical College, Winona State University, and the professional community of Rochester. CTECH offers hands on programs and rigorous coursework to high school students wanting to gain a deep understanding of high demand professions.

The attendees of the Pathways Tour enjoyed being able to explore innovative ideas and philosophies about career and technical education, from the student perspective, as well as how administration in these schools are inspired, challenged and motivated to implement these state of the art, career and college preparation programs.

## CTE 101

Are you new to Career & Technical Education? Are you looking to learn more about the history of CTE, the components of CTE and the latest trends in career development? If so, please consider attending CTE 101 –the online version!

The 6-week class will start on Wednesday, Jan. 9 and continue each Wednesday, wrapping up on Feb. 13. You will not be required to be online each week. There will be 3 SKYPE sessions and the other meeting times are personal work sessions. The online course will be offered from 4-5 pm (CST) and the session will repeat from 5-6 pm (CST).

This online session is intended for certified teachers who are new to Career & Technical Education and will provide information on SDMyLife, labor market projections, student organizations, industry certifications, and the components of a high quality program of study. This course meets the requirements for qualification in offering an approved CTE program.

Participants will earn 6 Continuing Education Contact Hours for their participation in the online course. Some additional time outside of the on-line meeting will be required to earn the 6 CECH. \*\*CTE 101 will not provide undergrad/grad credits for those who are seeking to take a CTE course for teacher certification. Anyone interested in receiving credit

and using those credits towards certification will need to enroll in the CTE Methods course. The CTE Methods course will be facilitated by SDSU and will occur online between May 2019 and August 2019. Check here for more information about CTE teacher certification: <http://doe.sd.gov/cte/CTEcertification.aspx>. \*\*

Registration information for CTE 101 Online

20191011 CTE 101 – Online - Online 4-5 pm (CST) - <https://southdakota.gosignmeup.com/public/Course/browse?courseid=12498>

20191012 CTE 101 - Online – Online 5-6 pm (CST) - <https://southdakota.gosignmeup.com/public/Course/browse?courseid=12499>

If you are not able to attend online, in-person classes will be held during the summer of 2019 – June 12 and July 17.

Questions can be directed to Jane Gubrud, NE Region Career and Development Specialist - [jane.gubrud@state.sd.us](mailto:jane.gubrud@state.sd.us) or call 605.295.1892

# SD Students Take Honors at National FFA Convention



The 91st National FFA Convention was held October 24-27 in Indianapolis, Indiana, and South Dakota was well represented amongst the nearly 70,000 attendees. Awards were given to dozens of South Dakota students and schools.

**National Proficiency Winner** - Hadley Stiefvater, McCook Central, Agriscience Research Animal Systems

**American Star Farmer Finalist**– Adam Eichacker, McCook Central

## National FFA Agriscience Fair Results:

### **Environmental Services:**

**National Winner** - Megan Nash, Northwestern, Division 1

**4th** - Ava Sandine and Emma Muth, McCook Central, Division 1

**5th** - Kayle Lauck, McCook Central, Division 3

**10th** - Caleb Schentzel, Northwestern Area, Division 5

### **Social Systems:**

**National Winner** – Danika Gordon, Sturgis, Division 3

**National Winner** – Elle & Hadley Steifvater, McCook Central, Division 6

**2nd Place** - Korbin Leddy, Milbank, Division 1

### **Animal Systems:**

**2nd** - Mitchell and Sadie Vander Wal, Northwestern Area, Division 6

**6th** – Hunter Eide, Gettysburg, Division 3

**9th** - Michaela McCormick, McCook Central, Division 1

### **Power, Structure, & Technical Systems**

**4th** - Elliott Chase and Braeden Kerkhove, McCook Central, Division 2

**8th** - Trey Claussen, McCook Central, Division 1

**12th** - Ethan Geraets and Lizabeth Delfs, Chester, Division 6

### **Plant Systems:**

**5th** - Landon Roling and Jayden Doane, McCook Central, Division 2

**5th** - Danielle Houghtaling and Taren Tschetter, Doland, Division 6

**7th** - Jessica Boekelheide, Northwestern Area, Division 1

**8th** - Hannah Schentzel, Northwestern Area, Division 3

## **Food Product & Processing Systems:**

**7th** - Sydney Grasma, McCook Central, Division 1

**11th** - Gabby Feterl and Aubree Kranz, McCook Central, Division 2

## Career Development Event Results:

### **Gold teams & individuals**

**2nd Place** - Extemporaneous Public Speaking – Bridger Gordon, Sturgis

**5th Place**– Ag Issues – Wall

**10th place** – Ag Communications – Northwestern Area

**12th place** - Livestock Evaluation – McCook Central

### **Silver Teams & Individuals**

**Ag Sales** – West Central

**Conduct of Meetings** – McCook Central

**Employment Interview** – Dalton Howe, Redfield

**Farm Business Management** – Willow Lake

**Milk Quality and Products:** Bridgewater-Emery

**Horse Evaluation** – Brookings

**Parliamentary Procedure** – McCook Central

**Prepared Public Speaking** - Jensina Davis, Brookings

### **Bronze Teams & Individuals**

**Agronomy** – Sanborn Central/Woonsocket

**Creed Speaking:** Kayle Lauck, McCook Central

**Dairy Cattle Evaluation:** Parkston

**Floriculture** – Madison

**Food Science and Technology** – McCook Central

**Marketing Plan** – Lennox Sundstrom

**Natural Resources** – McCook Central

**Nursery/Landscape:** McCook Central



# In The News

## A blue-ribbon day for Armour and Kimball

<http://www.mitchellrepublic.com/news/education/4529033-blue-ribbon-day-armour-and-kimball>

## Muth makes case for technical education

<http://www.mitchellrepublic.com/news/government-and-politics/4522687-muth-makes-case-technical-education>

## #RethinkSchool: Back to School Tour Observes Innovation Across the Nation

<https://blog.ed.gov/2018/11/rethinkschool-back-to-school-tour-reveals-innovation/>

## Technical Education climbing upward

[https://www.capjournal.com/news/technical-education-climbing-upward/article\\_bc401da4-dbee-11e8-ad5d-5b1d2bbf7784.html](https://www.capjournal.com/news/technical-education-climbing-upward/article_bc401da4-dbee-11e8-ad5d-5b1d2bbf7784.html)

## NCRC News

If you have not yet scheduled the National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC) assessments for the 2018-2019 school year, we still have openings!

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

To date, during the 2018-2019 school year, 855 students have been assessed

Platinum	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Incomplete	No Certificate	Total
136	163	293	188	4	71	855
15.91%	19.06%	34.27%	21.99%	0.47%	8.30%	100.00%

## Assessment Tip

You can view sample NCRC questions at the following website: [http://dlr.sd.gov/workforce\\_services/ncrc/ncrc\\_educators.aspx](http://dlr.sd.gov/workforce_services/ncrc/ncrc_educators.aspx).



## PLTW Hires Director of School Engagement for North and South Dakota

Greeting from Project Lead The Way!

My name is Kathy Van Kley and I am excited to be one of the newest members of the PLTW organization. As the Director of

School Engagement for North and South Dakota, I look forward to meeting you and offering you my support in whatever way I can.

Prior to joining PLTW, I coordinated the Diversity and Pipeline Programs for the USD Sanford School of Medicine in Vermillion, SD. Much of my time was spent educating high school students about the many health career opportunities available to them right here at home. I am grateful to have this opportunity to continue preparing South Dakota's students for the future.

Feel free to contact me with any questions you may have. My email is [kvankley@pltw.org](mailto:kvankley@pltw.org) and my phone is 605-670-9437.

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