



CAREER and TECHNICAL EDUCATION UPDATE September 1, 2015

2015-2016 CALENDARS Posted on the Secondary CTE Web page

The *CTE Calendar of Events* and the *CTE DUE DATES and DEADLINES* calendars have been posted to the Secondary CTE web page located at this link: http://opi.mt.gov/programs/CTAE/CTE.html#gpm1_5 Please feel free to print and post both of these important calendars for your reference throughout the year. For questions about either calendar, please contact Christy Hendricks at 406.444.9019 or email her at: chendricks@mt.gov.

Participation Report Verification

Preliminary 2014-2015 Montana CTE Student Participation Reports Data Available for Verification

The Montana Career and Technical Education (CTE) student participation report data collected during the 2014-2015 school using the OPI Terms of Employment, Accreditation, and Master Schedule (TEAMS) OPI School Staff System has been posted for schools and CTE program area teachers to review, verify, and submit updates or corrections.

The CTE Student Participation Report information collected in TEAMS is used for Carl Perkins accountability reporting and factors that determine the State CTE (State VoEd) allocation. Therefore, it is imperative that the information submitted is complete and accurate. Any high school district planning to receive Carl Perkins and/or State CTE (State VoEd) funding for the 2015-2016 school year should review the data submitted in TEAMS for all current CTE programs at their high school.

A comprehensive report listing of all CTE programs by school district is available on the Data Collections page of the Secondary CTE section of the OPI website, www.opi.mt.gov. The report, titled PRELIMINARY 2014-2015 CTE Student Participation Reports, can also be accessed directly at http://opi.mt.gov/programs/CTAE/CTE.html#gpm1_6.

The CTE Student Participation Reports are listed in alphabetical order by school district. The reports list all data currently entered into TEAMS for teachers identified by teaching endorsement as being a Career & Technical Educator. The reports show data entered into TEAMS by local/district TEAMS representatives—usually a district clerk or school staffing official.

The Course Codes and NCES Course Names listed correspond to the code from the TEAMS Current Listing of All Montana K-12 Course Codes and Descriptions to categorize the District Course Name of the class(es) listed taught by the identified CTE teacher.

During the 2014-2015, all CTE student participation data was submitted via TEAMS instead of through a separate data collecting administered by the Career, Technical, and Adult Education Divisions of the Office of Public Instruction. New participation report data gained from TEAMS not previously collected includes data for the Course Code, NCES Course Name, and Section.

All local school officials and Career and Technical Education program area teachers are asked to review the report and submit any necessary updates/corrections to the OPI by October 1. All corrections and updates must be communicated to local school/district TEAMS representative who will then need to contact the OPI School Staffing/TEAMS Project Manager Danielle Murphy (opiteams@mt.gov or 444.1625) notifying her of the changes. Please note, documentation or proof of district approval will be needed in order for corrections/updates to be accepted.

After October 1, all Montana CTE Student Participation Report data will be finalized and submitted to determine



the preliminary allocations for FY 2016 State CTE (State VoEd) allocations.

NEW CTE Professionals Workshop—October 14 in Billings

Professional Development Designed Specifically for those New to the Career & Technical Education Classroom

The Office of Public Instruction's Career and Technical Education Specialists will be conducting a **New CTE Professionals Workshop** on Wednesday, October 14, in Billings at the Billings Career Center, prior to the start of the 2015 Montana ACTE Institute.

The New CTE Professionals Workshop is a **FREE** professional development opportunity designed specifically for Career & Technical Education professionals in their first, second, or third year in the classroom or for those teachers new to Career & Technical Education in Montana.

This professional development opportunity will provide teachers who are new to the classroom, as well as those with less than four years of experience, with information on a variety of topics essential for success in the career and technical education classroom including

- Perkins funding,
- State CTE funding,
- Advisory boards,
- Professional development,
- Professional organizations,
- Montana's Big Sky Pathways Initiative and the Development of Programs of Study,
- CTE and program-area standards and guidelines, and
- Career & Technical Student Organizations.

The workshop will be held at the Billings Career Center (3723 Central Avenue) from 8 am to 4 pm. The training is free of charge and lunch will be provided for attendees. Up to six (6) OPI Renewal Units will be offered.

Additional details about the New CTE Professionals Workshop, including a schedule of events, are currently posted on the Secondary CTE page of the OPI website (<http://opi.mt.gov/programs/CTAE/CTE.html>) under the **In The News** heading and can be downloaded via the following link:

<http://www.opi.mt.gov/pdf/CTE/15CTEprofessionalsWorkshopFlyer.pdf>.

Registration for the 2015 New CTE Professionals Workshop can be completed and submitted online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KRM35Z9>. The deadline to register is Monday, October 5.

For registration assistance or for more information, please contact the appropriate CTE program specialist:

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Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources

No update at this time.

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FFA



Montana's State FFA Officers recently completed a summer of leadership workshops, camps, fairs and tours. Most recently, the state officers along with four FFA members from the Clarksfork FFA Chapter participated in a commodity tour of the west coast. The group visited processing plants and orchards in the Wenatchee, WA area, an Ocean Spray plant and cranberry farms in the Aberdeen, WA area, and visited the Wheat Marketing Center in Portland, OR. While at the center, students were able to participate in some "hands on" activities in their research labs and learned about the marketing of grains on an international scale. The group also toured a bakery and concluded their tour by visiting the T5 port owned by Pacificor. While at the port, students boarded a large ship loaded with grains that was bound for India.

Officers are anxious to begin meeting members across the state. The first opportunity for this to happen is during the District Leadership Schools (DLS). These schools will be held across the state in eight different locations. The eastern DLS activities will occur from Sept. 7th – Sept. 10th and the western DLS will take place Sept. 14th-17th. During these seminars, the officers will have the opportunity to offer leadership training to over one-thousand of Montana's FFA Members. Another activity that most FFA members look forward to is the National FFA Convention which will be held in Louisville, KY during the last week of October.

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Business Education

Baker High School Business Teacher Named Outstand Career & Technical Student Organization Advisor by National Association

During the 2015 Western Business Education Association Conference held in May at Scottsdale, Arizona, Baker High School business teacher and Business Professionals of America chapter advisor Scott Anderson received the 2015 Outstand Career & Technical Student Organization Advisor award.

Scott Anderson has been a Business Teacher at Baker High School for the past 10 years! During this time, Scott has made a truly significant impact upon the "quality of education" provided by the business department. Scott is a member of and contributed to Business Professionals of America, the Montana Business Education Association, the Western Business Education Association, the National Business Education Association, and the Association for Career & Technical Education. He has been named the Montana Young Business Educator of the Year and the Montana Association for Career & Technical Education Outstanding Young CTE Professional of the Year. Scott has such a dedication to the city of Baker that he is a volunteer Firefighter. Due to this dedication, he has also received the Firefighter of the Year Award and the Chief's Award.



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Scott has been Baker High School's BPA chapter advisor for 10 years. Under his guidance BHS manages two student based businesses—a portable Mini-Golf Course and a Photo Booth. His students consistently place well at State and National Competitions! Scott can boast 12 National BPA Convention qualifiers and four Top Ten National Finalists.

Cynthia Quade, Baker High School's head counselor states, "The true success story of the revitalization of BPA at Baker High School is the infectious enthusiasm and energy that seems to radiate from Scott and the effect that those qualities have had on our students. He provides such a strong model of leadership and dedication that is, in turn, reflected in the excellent work and involvement shown with his chapter officers and membership. It seems that his room is always inhabited by BPA students putting in extra time on projects or in preparation for a meeting or event.

Scott has recently been seen hosting the Montana Business Professionals of America Region 8 Leadership Conference for several year. Scott not only sets up the entire competition, he does this all while preparing his own students for competition. After competition season is over, you can find Scott taking the initiative to discuss post-secondary career plans and aspirations with each of his students as well as being an umpire for the Baker little league baseball season.

Montana Business Educators Attend Summer Professional Development Workshops

During the summer, three regional professional development workshops were held for Montana' secondary and post-secondary business education professionals.

The workshops, titled *Get Fired Up*, *Get Inspired*, and *Get New Ideas* provided opportunities for Montana business educators to gain hands-on training, instructional resources for the classroom, and to network with colleagues and new business educators from all across the state of Montana. The workshops were held at Skyview High School in Billings, Bozeman High School, and Glacier High School in Kalispell.

Each workshop focused on resources and 22 instructional strategies for integrating literacy instruction within the business education curriculum. The Literacy-in-CTE session was facilitated by the Montana OPI Business Education Specialist Eric Swenson and Shields Valley High School business teacher Mitzi Richards utilizing materials development by the National Research Center for Career and Technical Education. Additional Business Education Specialist Eric Swenson provided all attendees with a new Montana Business Education Curriculum Resources binder which included the new Framework for Business Education in Montana curriculum guide, the listing of all Montana K-12 course codes and descriptions used for OPI school staffing reporting in TEAMS, the new National Standards for Business Education, a copy of the Common Career Technical Core standards, and a draft of the new Montana Secondary Business and Marketing Education and Secondary Cooperative Work Experience guidelines.

The workshops also provided opportunities for business educators at each host school to share their expertise and best practices with participants as well. At Skyview High School, Molly Barta (Skyview High School) and Nicole Bogunovich (Billings West High School) presented a Technology and Tools for the Business Education Classroom session focusing on applications and online resources for business education-related subject for use on notebooks/iPads as well as simulations to enhance and reinforce student learning.

At Bozeman High School, business educator Kerri Cobb presented a Teaching Coding—Instructional Strategies and Resources session. Kerri shared with the business educators many of the materials and resources she uses for teaching her coding courses as well as invited two industry professionals for the Montana Programmers Association to work with the educators.

Three members from the Glacier High School business education department—Chere' Anderson, Gray Bennett, and Jareth Wilson—showcased two of their department's curriculum offerings. Jareth presented instructional strategies and resources based upon the new coding courses being offered at Glacier High School for the 2015-



2016 school year and discussed plans for future offerings. In the final session of the day, Chere' and Grady shared with attendees ideas and resources they have developed for teaching personal finance.

All three workshops were offered at no cost to attendees and the workshops will be held during the Summer 2016 with locations and topics to be announced in the spring.

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Montana BPA



Montana Business Professionals of America September 2015 Update

BPA Montana is excited to hold a Fall Leadership Conference for all of the chapter advisors and their officer teams. This conference will provide members to get ahead of the game this year. The conference will be held at Fairmont Hot Springs on October 11 and 12. Leadership training will be provided to the students by the Montana State Officer Team and workshops will be offered to advisors to provide them a better understanding of the BPA Cares Program, Competitive Events, Torch Awards and more. BPA Montana will provide dinner on Sunday and Continental breakfast on Monday, Morning. BPA Montana will also be providing hotel rooms on Sunday evening at Fairmont. Rooms will be based on 4 students/room (which could involve sharing rooms with students from other schools and 2 advisors/room. Advisors who wish to occupy a single room will be responsible for paying for their own room. If you wish you may add 2 more individuals to a wait list and if space is available we will include them as well. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2015.**

Registration forms must be submitted to Lisa Parker, State BPA Director, Montana Association at lparkermtbpa@gmail.com.

Certified Local Advisor Program is set to begin on September 21st. This is a six weekly training webinar. You can participate in courses individually, but you must complete all courses and assignments in order to satisfy the requirements for the Local Advisor Certification Designee. Log in at BPA.org, select membership tab, certifications and certified advisor to join in the webinars. Advisors who complete the training will assist Montana BPA in meeting the goals of the House Bill 86 funding grant.

Regional advisor meetings are scheduled for the next few weeks. The dates are: September 21: Region 7; September 23: Regions 5 and 8; September 30: Region 1; October 1: Region 3; October 5: Region 2; October 6: Region 6; October 9: Region 4. More information of starting times and locations will be sent out by regional executive board members.

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Montana DECA



Montana DECA is in final preparations for their annual board meeting September 20 2015. The State Officer team met August 31-July1st to finalize and develop a solid program of work designed to enhance social media, the State Conference Atmosphere, and membership recruitment. Newly elected State Officers: Dylan Haggart, Zak Anderson, Kyersten Seibenaler, Teigan Avery, and Kaito Irizarry will present their recommendations to the MT DECA Board of Directors at our annual meeting.

John Stiles, State Director, attended the Chartered Associations Management Conference (CAM) in Nashville, Tennessee where he brought back a variety of professional development and conference planning insight to local chapter advisors. In addition to the networking piece of this conference, MT DECA received the Presidents Diamond Award of Excellence. The award recognizes quality chartered associations across the international community in the growth, development, and member value categories. MT DECA was one of five states to receive the prestigious award/recognition.

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Family and Consumer Sciences Education

Many Family and Consumer Sciences Educators have again spent their summer getting ready for this upcoming school year by attending professional development workshops and classes around Montana and the United States including attendance at ProStart Institutes, the AAFCS Annual Conference & Expo, and the FCCLA National Leadership Conference.

During the last week of July, three organizations (Montana FCCLA, OPI and MSU) joined together to offer the 2015 Montana FCS Summer Conference "A Community of Practice" on the MSU-Bozeman campus. Approximately 40 teachers from around the state attended training over five days on Well-being in FCS, Literacy in CTE, Financial Well-Being, STEM in FCS, and Careers in FCS. The conference included Business & Industry speakers, MSU Faculty speakers, activity based workshops and collaboration time to work on curriculum planning.

As of July 1, I have become the President for the National Association of State Administrators of Family & Consumer Sciences (NASAFACS). This is year two of my three year term; it's been an amazing opportunity already, and I'm looking forward to the challenges it brings as I work to plan a national level conference, assist with guiding the FCS National Standards review and continue advocating for FCS Education on a national level.

If you are in your first three years of teaching, start making plans now to attend the 2015 OPI New CTE Professionals Workshop in Billings on Wednesday, October 14. This is not to be missed! And, then plan to stay for the Montana ACTE Fall Institute (also in Billings). Attending professional development opportunities in our state can be key to being a successful teacher!

Please welcome the following first year FCS teachers to our profession!

- Katie Gorder, Skyview High School
- Hope Hamilton, Chinook High School
- Leslie Jackson, Arlee High School
- Jordan Parchman, Manhattan High School
- Samantha Smith, Broadwater High School



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Montana FCCLA

**Student Elected as National Officer at FCCLA
National Leadership Conference
in Washington, D.C.
July 5th-9th**



July 5th, 2015 – Garrett Christiaens, a senior at Valier High School in Valier, Montana has been elected the 2015-2016 National Vice President of Programs of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA). Garrett is one of ten national officers elected during the 2015 National Leadership Conference, held July 5th-9th in Washington, D.C. being elected a national officer is the highest leadership honor an FCCLA member can achieve.

Garrett’s election took place during a five-day leadership event centered on the theme, “Together We Are Healthy.” During the week, more than 7,000 FCCLA members, advisers, alumni, and guests attended workshops and sessions on relevant youth issues such as career preparation, financial literacy, environmental education, traffic safety, community service, social media, and the changing roles of men and women in the home and workplace.

Along with nine other members of the National Executive Council, Garrett will travel to FCCLA national headquarters in Reston, Virginia, during the year to attend training and program planning sessions. Garrett will also help set policies and develop future goals for the organization as a committee member of the FCCLA National Board of Directors. During the year, Garrett and the other national officers will represent the organization by leading workshops and giving speeches locally and throughout the country.

During the year as FCCLA Vice President of Programs, Garrett will help plan the focus and content of FCCLA’s 2016 National Leadership Conference, to be held July 3rd-7th, in San Diego, California.

Garrett is the son of Rod and Jackie Christiaens of Valier. Jill Espeseth is Garrett’s FCCLA chapter adviser.

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Health Sciences Education

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Montana HOSA



Montana HOSA: Future Health Professionals' 10 delegates at June's National Leadership Conference were amongst 6,500 competitors in Anaheim, and we celebrated the 3 Bozeman High School and Sentinel High School students who made it on stage as finalists. No medals, but a great accomplishment.

National HOSA board voted to expand affiliation to the middle school level so, this year, Montana HOSA has hopes of piloting 2 middle school chapters in Missoula schools with existing PLTW curriculums.

With further look to expansion, Montana HOSA welcomes Troy High School, Flathead High School, and Polson High School chapters; tentative programs are being considered in Plains and Thompson Falls.

We welcome to the Montana HOSA Board of Directors Greg Maurer, CEO of Sheridan Memorial Hospital, and Rita Kratky, Dean of Workforce Development and Continuing Education at Miles Community College.

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Industrial, Trades and Technology Education

The Industrial Trades and Technology areas were well served from several workshops conducted during the month of June. They ranged from a few days, a full week and an eight day session split over a two week period.

The most participation was generated from the Welding areas. The FVCC teacher update workshop included the opportunity to earn an AWS Welding Certification, while Missoula College covered the NCCER Level One curriculum.

A three day teacher Technology Update Conference was also held in Bozeman, and a Master Cam workshop was held in Hamilton.

There has been discussion to continue similar opportunities again in June 2016.

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SkillsUSA



Welcome back to a new year of SkillsUSA Montana.

The SkillsUSA National Conference moved to Louisville, Kentucky this summer and attendance was up from last year. The venue was the Kentucky Exhibition Center. We were able to hold all our contests under one roof. Students had the opportunity to spend Thursday night of the conference week at *Kingdom*, the amusement park right next to the KEC. This night was reserved for SkillsUSA only and *Kingdom* had the largest one day attendance in its history. At this year's National Conference our Montana Association received a certificate from Nationals for increased memberships at both the high school and postsecondary levels. At the National conference Joshua Egan from Helena High School placed fourth in Welding Sculpture and Joe Vernon from MSU Northern placed fourth in Diesel Equipment Technology. On Wednesday night Jeff Rodenberg with ITC, our keynote speaker at this past State Conference, treated the Montana delegation to a catered BBQ dinner at our hotel.

The National SkillsUSA State Directors' Professional Development Conference was held in Grand Rapids, Michigan in August. The Montana SkillsUSA Association received the "Reaching New Heights Award" at both the secondary and postsecondary levels. This award was given to the associations for consistent effort resulting in sustained growth in membership. State Directors were introduced to new changes in the membership registration site and learned about the new programs coming out this year and in 2016.

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Montana TSA



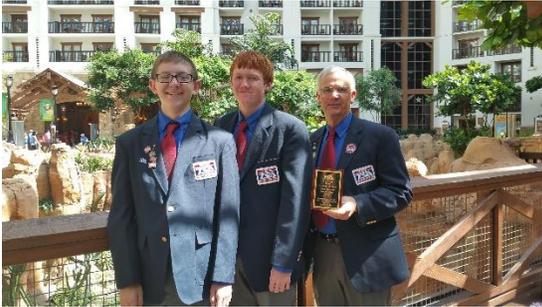
Wow where did last year go? Seemed like it was over before it started. Montana TSA had a great year and experienced many changes. During the 2015-2016 school year Montana TSA will again be seeing many new changes... more on that later.

The State Directors and State Officer team had a very busy summer we attended the Montana CTSO leadership camp at Gallatin Canyon with the other CTSO state officers and advisors. The camp was cut short lasting only two days, during that time officers learned valuable leadership skills from instructor Shannon Stober such as: improving speech through body language, the different learning styles and how to work with them, and ways to keep your audience engaged. Everyone was actively involved in conversation with the instructor and fellow CTSO officers. The following week the State Advisors traveled to Bozeman to host the Technology Update Conference at Bozeman High School. It was a huge success; we would like to thank Glen Bradbury and Bozeman High School for providing the facilities, Lidia Haughey from Montana State University for providing college credit and man power, and Renee Harris, from OPI for taking the time from their busy schedules to meet with us. Everyone said they had a great time and would be back next year. The last week of June, the State TSA officers and advisors traveled to Dallas, Texas to attend the National TSA Convention, which was held at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center. The convention lasted for five days, while there the state officers completed and received certification in leadership. The course covered how to... better communicate with the group you are working with, how to get your point across to others, and procedures to further enhance public speaking skills. We were able to observe and take note of events that we could possibly include in our own state conference. While at the National Conference three (3) Montana Schools received Awards...

- TSA Chapter Advisor of the Year – **Dwight Freeman**, Saco High School



- Chapter Excellence Awards – **Bozeman High School** and **Harlem High School**
- **Franki Taylor & Denton Cornell** of Harlem High School were given the TSA Honor Society Award



We just got notification that our HB86 Grant was approved for this school year. The state officers are busy preparing for their first meeting next week. They will be finalizing their calendar of events for the upcoming year. Several specific topics that will be discussed are National TSA Week, local officer leadership training and recruitment of new students and schools. Lastly, the State Directors are busy prepping for the upcoming Montana ACTE and MEA Conferences.

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