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State Newsletter

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Greetings from David Turner, CTAE State Director

I hope that you are having a successful school year!

As all of us are aware, we are so fortunate to be members of the CTAE family. We have chosen to work with students and parents in our local community to make a positive impact on the future of our State. We must offer every possible educational opportunity to all of our students as they strive to learn and grow under our leadership and direction.

The end of the first semester is quickly approaching and before we know it we will be preparing for another graduation ceremony. The graduation of our students should be the main goal for each of us as educators. It is our responsibility to prepare our students to be successful as they transition into the workforce or pursue higher education opportunities. As CTAE professionals we have the unique programs that combine technical and academic studies with leadership and personal development through our Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs). Each of our CTSOs offers excellent leadership activities that help our students to better prepare for life as an adult.

In this newsletter you will find that all of the articles and information focus on the importance of the CTSO. Every aspect of our programs has a direct tie to a CTSO. I believe that a strong local CTSO is a vital component of the success of our CTAE programs.

I encourage you to examine each of the CTSOs in your local community and determine if they are truly meeting the needs of your students. I hope that you will acknowledge and continue to support those CTSOs that are successful. In the event that you have a CTSO that is not providing the level of performance that your community deserves, I encourage you to work with the CTSO to provide the leadership and support that is needed for success to occur.

I want to thank you for all that you do for the students in our CTAE programs. We are making a positive difference in our community, one student at a time.

David





Career Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs): Reinforcing Academics

Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA)

CTAE educators have been reinforcing core academic skills in classrooms for years. The belief that a CTAE teacher must teach mathematics or reading is just not so. Instead, educators should incorporate curriculum that clearly provides opportunities to relate core academics into the CTAE skills lessons. There is no better way for this happen than to utilize the skill-based competitive events provided by HOSA. Each competitive event has components that provide for aspects of the core academics of math, science, reading and applying the use of critical thinking. Examples include the Clinical Nursing competitive event, the healthcare-based Creative Problem Solving competitive event or events, such as Biotechnology.

No one educator can be expert at everything, which is why collaboration with others, whose strengths may be stronger than your own, is vital to student success. Even for those educators that feel underprepared for the tasks of providing core academics in their own classroom, the CTSO organizations have made it easier for us! How lucky to be on this winning team of advisors making academics relate to the world of work.

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)

Georgia Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) is proud to maintain its place as the nation's largest FBLA chapter. To help ensure this national action plans will begin for the advisers. Lesson plans for all Business & Computer Science (BCS) class

recognition, a rollout of comprehensive co-curricular will be issued to each adviser that will incorporate the activities in our National FBLA Business Achievement Awards Program. Members taking our BCS courses will have the opportunity to gain state and national recognition while completing classroom assignments as part of the BCS curriculum.

Since Computer Applications is one of the largest BCS courses, Georgia FBLA will provide advisers with lesson plans and projects that incorporate actual FBLA data and activities. For example, conference registration data and other FBLA statistics will be incorporated into problems that advisers can use to teach pivot tables, filtering, and graphing while teaching spreadsheets. Advisers will have their students create posters and flyers for FBLA projects and activities while teaching the desktop publishing and business communication units.

Additionally, competitive events program will be further integrated into the BCS curriculum. Advisers will be given case studies that have actually been used at state and region conferences to use in the classroom to promote not only success in upcoming competitions but also to develop stronger business acumen among FBLA members and BCS students. Students will be encouraged to develop websites, reports, business plans, and business communications as classroom assignments using the current and previous years' competitive event topics. FBLA is also developing guides and lesson plans for the advisers to use in developing the leadership and essential business skills, such as business presentations, public speaking, impromptu speaking, interviewing skills, and business document preparation.

NOTE: The January 2013 CTAE State Newsletter will continue *Spotlighting* additional **CTSOs: Reinforcing Academics**.

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CTAE Calendar of OCTOBER 2012 Events

Event Date	Event Title	Event Location	Event Description	Audience	Registration Info (if needed)
October 29	Incorporating National Certification into your Healthcare Science Programs	Webinar	WEBINAR 3:00 p.m. EST National certifications, differentiation, and student preparation.	All CTAE Healthcare Instructors	Click on the following link: https://atitesting.webex.com/mw03071/mywebex/default.do?service=1&siteurl=atitesting&nomenu=true&main_url=%2Fmc08061%2Ffe.do%3Fsiteurl%3Datitesting%26AT%3DMI%26EventID%3D212934872%26UID%3D1423685762%26Host%3D589c5a3c09260344%26RG%3D1%26FrameSet%3D2

CTAE Calendar of NOVEMBER 2012 Events

Event Date	Event Title	Event Location	Event Description	Audience	Registration Info (if needed)
Nov. 1	Skills Connect Exam Webinar	Webinar	WEBINAR Breaking down the Criminal Justice Assessment	Public Safety Educators	Link will be sent via email.
Nov. 1-2	DECA Fall Leadership Development Conference	Athens, GA	Pre-conference session by state action team, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta and other activities.	DECA members and advisers	www.gaceca.org
Nov. 2-4	TSA Fall Leadership Conference	New Jekyll Island Convention Center and Villas by the Sea	Conference with hands-on workshops, seminars and general sessions. Keynote: Al Duncan, Armada Boat Race.	TSA members and advisers	http://gatsa.org
Nov. 2	FBLA Adviser Leadership Conf.	Smyrna Community Center	FALCON-1 st FBLA Adviser Conf. (FALCON)	Designed for FBLA advisers of all levels of experience.	http://gafbla.webexone.com
Nov. 4-10	National HOSA Week	n/a	HOSA Week Activities	Any HOSA member and adviser	none
Nov. 6	National Consortium for Health Science Education	Webinar	Webinar 3:30 – 4:30 pm EST Preparing students for the assessment –	Any Health Science Teacher or Administrator	Click within 60 minutes of session starting time: https://sas.illuminate.com/m.jnlp?sid=2012003&password=M.FCE4FDE4535964B7CB7A0729F60012

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CTAE Calendar of NOVEMBER 2012 Events – (continued)

Event Date	Event Title	Event Location	Event Description	Audience	Registration Info (if needed)
Nov. 6	Certiport Assessment Training	Webinar	Webinar Certiport Training 3:30 pm EST Organization Administration	Any CTAE Instructor or Administrator	Pre-registration is not required, Conference Room Number: 6456478 Toll-Free Access Number: 800-832-0736 Contacts: Dave Lindsey, Certiport, 888-999-9830 ext. 453, dlindsey@certiport.com Wes Madrid, Certiport, 888-999-9830 ext. 254, wmadrid@certiport.com
Nov. 8-9	HOSA Fall Leadership Conference	Atlanta Marriott Northwest, Galleria	Competitive events and leadership activities	Any HOSA member and adviser	http://gahosa.org
Nov. 9	Certiport Assessment Training	Webinar	Webinar Certiport Training 3:30 pm EST Exam Delivery	Any CTAE Instructor or Administrator	See information above
Nov. 7- 9	GaETC Ga. Educational Technology Conf.	Atlanta	Technology Conf.	Any Georgia Educator	http://gaetc.org/
Nov. 9- 12	Entrepreneurship Education Forum	Atlanta	Entrepreneurship Conference hosted by the Consortium for Entrepreneurship Education.	Any Georgia Educator	http://www.entre-ed.org/_network/forum.htm
Nov. 10	Agriculture State Meats Evaluation CDE/State Land Judging CDE	Athens, GA	Agriculture students will compete in the Meat Evaluation and Land Judging CDE events	Agriculture students and advisers	None required
Nov. 9 - 11	2012 National Fall Leadership Conference	Denver, CO	National Fall Leadership Conference in Denver, Colorado, November 9-10.	FBLA students and advisers	http://gafbla.webexone.com
Nov. 13	Certiport Assessment Training	Webinar	Webinar Certiport Training 3:30 pm EST Organization Administration	Any CTAE instructor or administrator	Conference Room Number: 6456478 Toll-Free Access Number: 800-832-0736

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Nov. 16	Certiport Assessment Training	Webinar	Webinar Certiport Training 3:30 pm EST Exam Delivery	Any CTAE instructor or administrator	Conference Room Number: 6456478, Toll-Free Access Number: 800-832-0736
Nov. 15	SkillsUSA Full Service membership Deadline	n/a	Deadline for Full Service membership	SkillsUSA members and advisers	http://skillsusageorgia.org
Nov. 14-15	2012 FBLA Fall Leadership Conference	Athens, Classic Center, middle level	General sessions, leadership training workshops, Battle of the Chapters, world's largest MONOPOLY® Tournaments, and many other activities.	Any FBLA member and adviser	http://gafbla.webexone.com
Nov. 15-16	CTI Fall Leadership Conference	Savannah Riverfront Marriott	Conference featuring leadership and career interest sessions. Keynote: Magic Marc	Any CTI member and adviser	http://georgiacti.org
Nov. 16	CTI Fall Teacher Professional Development (TIPS)	Savannah Riverfront Marriott	Common Core Literacy standards, strategies for critical analysis of texts and writing	Any CTI teacher or adviser	http://georgiacti.org
Nov. 16	Workshop entitled: "You Want Me to Teach What?"	Classic Center, Athens, GA	Workshop conducted by Gilda Lyon and John Pritchett Topics include: Differentiation, CCGPS, Literacy Standards	Open to CTAE Teachers and Administrators	CTAE Resource Network www.ctaern.org
Nov. 16-18	DECA-Wkshop: The Ultimate Power Trip	Washington DC	DECA members experience career areas	Open to DECA members and advisers	www.deca.org/events/power
Nov. 18	SkillsUSA Day with the Falcons	TBD	Encourage participation in SkillsUSA	Open to SkillsUSA members and advisers	http://skillsusageorgia.org
Nov. 29-Dec. 1	ACTE National Conference	Atlanta, GA World Congress Center	CareerTech Vision 2012, International Summit on EXCELLENCE in CareerTech Educ.	Open to all Educators	For Registration Info: http://www.gacte.org/documents/ACTE%20Georgia%20Registration%20Form.pdf Special Georgia ACTE member conference rate

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CTAE Calendar of DECEMBER 2012 Events

Event Date	Event Title	Event Location	Event Description	Audience	Registration Info (if needed)
Dec. 2	FFA State CDE Competition	Tifton, GA (ABAC Campus)	Student will compete in the area of ENR, Farm Business Management, FFA Quiz, Floral Design, Job Interview, Tractor Operations Dairy, and Cattle Judging	FFA Members and Advisers	None required
Dec. 4	Certiport Assessment Training	Webinar	Webinar 3:30 pm EST Certiport Training Organization Administration	Any CTAE Teacher or Administrator	Conference Room Number: 6456478, Toll-Free Access Number: 800-832-0736
Dec. 5	SkillsUSA Day with the Hawks and Speaker Series	Phillips Arena, Atlanta, GA	Atlanta Hawks present the annual college fair and sports marketing speaker series	Any SkillsUSA member and adviser	http://skillsusageorgia.org
Dec. 5	CTI Atlanta Hawks Speaker Series/College Fair	Phillips Arena, Atlanta, GA	Atlanta Hawks present the annual college fair and sports marketing speaker series.	Any CTI member and adviser	http://georgiacti.org
Dec. 6-7	CPR Instructor Course	Coffee County	CPR Instructor Course	CPR Instructors	www.ctaern.org
Dec. 7	Certiport Assessment Training	Webinar	Webinar 3:30 pm EST Certiport Training Exam Delivery	Any CTAE Teacher or Administrator	See above
Dec. 11	Certiport Assessment Training	Webinar	Webinar Certiport Training 3:30 pm EST Organization Administration	Any CTAE Teacher or Administrator	Conference Room Number: 6456478 Toll-Free Access Number: 800-832-0736
Dec. 12	Workshop Entitled: "You Want Me to Teach What?"	Macon City Center, Macon, GA	Workshop conducted by Gilda Lyon and John Pritchett. Topics include: Differentiation, CCGPS, Literacy Standards & Projects	Open to CTAE Teachers and Administrators	CTAE Resource Network www.ctearn.org
Dec. 14	Certiport Assessment Training	Webinar	Webinar 3:30 pm EST Certiport Training Exam Delivery	Any CTAE Teacher or Administrator	Conference Room Number: 6456478, Toll-Free Access Number: 800-832-0736

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CTAE Calendar of JANUARY 2013 Events

Event Date	Event Title	Event Location	Event Description	Audience	Registration Info (if needed)
Jan. 2	HOSA Region Competitions Registration Deadline	n/a	Deadline for HOSA Region Competitions	Any HOSA member and adviser	http://gahosa.org
Jan. 4-5	SkillsUSA CTSO Officer Training	FFA Center, Covington, GA	SkillsUSA CTSO Officer Training	Any SkillsUSA Officer and adviser	http://skillsusageorgia.org
Jan. 5-6	SkillsUSA State Officer Training	FFA Center, Covington, GA	SkillsUSA State Officer Training	Any SkillsUSA State Officer and adviser	http://skillsusageorgia.org
Jan. 7-11	HOSA Region Competitions	n/a	HOSA Region Competitions (online testing)	Any HOSA member/adviser	http://gahosa.org
January 15 - 31	2013 FBLA Region Leadership Conferences	Various Locations	FBLA Region Leadership Conferences (RLC) with informative workshops. All objective testing events will be school-site testing. Performance events will compete at the Region Leadership Conference.	Any FBLA member and adviser	http://gafbla.webexone.com
January 22	Workshop "You Want Me to Teach What?!"	Tifton, UGA Campus Conference Center	Workshop conducted by Gilda Lyon and John Pritchett. Topics include: Differentiation, CCGPS, Literacy Standards and Literacy Projects	Open to CTAE Teachers and Administrators	CTAE Resource Network www.ctearn.org

PROGRAM MANAGER UPDATES

PROGRAM DELIVERY UPDATE Dwayne Hobbs, Program Manager

The Program Specialists are busy with the transition process of revising Georgia's curriculum to align with the Federal Career Clusters. The Georgia Department of Education, the Georgia Chamber of Commerce, and the UGA Carl Vinson Institute formed a partnership to survey Georgia businesses regarding the standards needed in Georgia's CTAE curriculum. Meetings are currently being conducted with Business and Industry representatives in each cluster area to validate and summarize the survey results. Soon, curriculum writing will start and courses will be developed or revised to complete the pathways under each career cluster. The goal is to have the new CTAE courses approved by January 2013. These changes will affect students beginning ninth grade 2013-1014. The fall is a very busy time in CTAE. A series of 12 regional CTAE Teacher Drive-in meetings were conducted in

August and September and the PowerPoint presentation is now posted on the CTAE/GaDOE website. For specific information about the breakout sessions for each program area, please contact the appropriate Program Specialist.

CTSO activities are well underway with officer training events, fall rallies, and fall conferences being held. Events at the Georgia National Fair in Perry have just concluded with tremendous levels of participation:

CTI	200+ participants
DECA	1100+ participants
FBLA	7800+ participants
FCCLA	5100+ participants
HOSA	2500+ participants
SkillsUSA	1700+ participants
TSA	1500+ participants
TOTAL	21,000+ participants

PROGRAM MANAGER UPDATES (continued)

DEVELOPMENT & TRANSITION UPDATE Emily Spann, Program Manager

National Perry Fair STEM Festival Update

In conjunction with Georgia's CTSO National Fair activities, State CTAE staff hosted a Georgia STEM Festival in Perry, GA on Oct. 10-12. Over 1000 students, parents, and teachers visited the STEM tent to interact with STEM industries and businesses, such as Summit Systems, Texas Instruments, Google, Georgia Power, CPO Science, Lockheed Martin, Vizitech, Science Kit & Boreal Labs, High Points Learning, Carolina Fluid Components, and ETA.



Pictured to the left are DECA students participating in the STEM Festival.

The Festival was also supported through a variety of other educational organizations and postsecondary institutions.

Other CTAE activities and programs are planned for CTSOs members, CTAE administrators, teachers, and students; and we hope you will check out the CTAE Newsletter Calendar of

PROGRAM MANAGER UPDATES (continued)

Events to participate! In addition, if your school has joined in the past or would like to become involved with High Schools That Work (HSTW) or Making Middle Grades Work (MMGW) under the Department of Education network, please contact Dr. John Pritchett at jpritchett@doe.k12.ga.us.

Hearty congratulations are extended to the first *University of Phoenix JROTC Instructor Scholarship* winners for this year: **SMSgt Torrance L. McGee, USAF**, at Ola High School, Henry County; and **Major Paul Stinson, Army**, Lamar County High School, Lamar County. If you would like information about this scholarship, contact Gary Mealer, gmealer@doe.k12.ga.us.

AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION UPDATE
Chip Bridges, Program Manager

One of the greatest moments in my career and one of the best parts of my job will be when I have the privilege of watching our state FFA winners compete during the 85th National FFA Convention. Each of the students has worked hard to be named a state winner and have the distinct honor of representing our state at the National FFA Convention as a competitor. Mr. Cain Thurmond, Southern Region Vice President from Jefferson Georgia will deliver his retiring address, "Home" during the National FFA Convention. He has traveled through the United States and aboard promoting Agricultural for the last twelve months.

In closing, I would like to extend a heart-felt THANK YOU to all CTAE administrators and the Local school systems for their support that you continue to provide to the FFA students and Agricultural Education instructors. Your help and Support at the regional, state and national events has helped mold, shape, and make a positive difference in the lives of many of our future leaders.

SCHOOL COUNSELING UPDATE
Dr. Myrel Seigler, Program Manager

These are exciting times for School Counselors as more emphasis has been placed on the role of the school counselor and the importance they play in guiding students to a successful transition from high school to a path towards being college and career ready.

Many of the programs designed to help students learn valuable academic and work related skills are in the area of Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education (CTAE). School counselors from 12 different regions of the state have been attending CTAE Teacher Drive-In workshops conducted by members of the CTAE division of the Georgia Department of Education. This is the first year that all counselors, K-12, have been invited to these workshops to receive information and materials relating to school counseling programs.

The attendees have received updates on all CTAE programs as well as the accountability updates and how counselors can assist in ensuring all students receive the necessary academic and career guidance to complete a pathway of interest, ultimately leading to high school graduation and post-secondary plans. We encourage all counselors, K-12, to register and create a profile on the CTAE Resource Network (www.ctaern.org) so that we will be able to have a database of all counselors. This Resource Network will provide a means of communicating the upcoming events and workshops, as well as a means of disseminating important information.

If there are concerns or questions, contact the School Counseling group within CTAE/GaDOE.