



February 2022



President's Message

Happy CTE Month! On February 2, Abby Jerome (CTEI Secretary) and I had the opportunity to represent CTEI at Student Day at the Legislature in Boise. We heard from student leaders of the various Career Technical Student Organizations as well as event sponsors, educational leaders, and state government officials. Students attended both house and senate education committee meetings where they listened to director Clay Long give his annual report on CTE in the state of Idaho. After director Long's presentations, several of the students were able to briefly share with the committees their personal CTE stories and answer questions from legislators. We would like to extend a huge thank you to the Idaho Career & Technical Education Foundation for hosting the annual Student Day at the Legislature event and for providing a platform at which we can showcase Idaho CTE to our state leaders.

Attending events like Student Day at the Legislature makes me proud to be part of Idaho Career Technical Education! The work we do gives our students opportunities to apply what they learn in other areas to real life. Having this added context gives CTE students purpose that sets them apart

from their non-CTE peers as they move onto higher education and into the workforce. Idaho CTE may currently be experiencing some growing pains, but the growth we are working through will provide additional opportunities for more students which will strengthen our communities and our state. Keep doing what you do. You're making a difference!

Travis Edwards
CTEI President

Professional Development

A couple of reminders from the Division

Recertification

If your educator certification expires on Aug. 31, 2022, now is the time to renew your certificate. Renewal applications must include documentation of having completed the equivalent of six credits, three of which must be documented on an unofficial transcript. It's currently taking the State Department of Education two weeks to process new certificates from when a completed application is received, compared to 4-5 months by the end of August. Avoid delays by completing your application early.

Connect Conferences

This year IDCTE returns to hosting face-to-face summer conferences—three of them! You can choose from July or August or September, and you can choose from Region 2 hosted at Lewis-Clark State College, Region 4 hosted at the College of Southern Idaho, or Region 6 hosted at the College of Eastern Idaho. Registration opens on March 1, and to help you decide which conference or conferences to attend, you can find a list of the sessions offered at each conference on the IDCTE website here [CONNECT - Idaho Division of Career Technical Education](#). Each conference will kick off with a Wednesday evening reception and each will close with the CTEI and IDCTE awards celebration brunch on Saturday. A new teacher training track will be offered at each conference as well. Check out the sessions, the locations, and the dates, and contact IDCTE at events@cte.idaho.gov if you have any questions.

CTEI State Policy Seminar

CTEI will host its first State Policy Seminar during CTE month on February 15-17 in the state's capital. The Seminar will focus on the work of policymaking, legislating, and advocacy with guest speakers and activities in the Capitol. Seminar attendees will participate in committee hearings at both the House and Senate Education Committees, the Joint Finance and Appropriations Committee, and the State Board of Education February meeting where State

Committee, and the State Board of Education February meeting where State Administrator Clay Long will present a report from the Division. Some of the invited guest speakers include Speaker of the House Scott Bedke; OSBE Vice President Dr. David Hill, Executive Director Matt Freeman, and Planning & Policy Officer Tracie Bent; Senators Steven Thayne and Dave Lent; Representatives Lance Clow and Ryan Kerby; Legislative Services Office Director Terri Kondeff; and Idaho School Boards Association Policy & Government Affairs Director Quinn Perry. CTEI's goals are to educate and inspire its members to be well-informed and prepared advocates for career technical education and to become go-to experts for their local school boards and elected officials.

News Beyond CTEI

via Idaho Education News (emphasis added)

Statehouse roundup, 2.9.22: Mask mandate ban clears House committee

Favorable testimony included unsubstantiated claims about masks and the coronavirus that received no direct pushback. **In other news, career-technical programs are in line for a short-term budget boost.**

[Full story »](#)

via Idaho Education Association

Self-Directed Learners Bill Moves to House

A bill allowing students who demonstrate the ability to be self-directed as a learner greater flexibility in their education was unanimously advanced by the Senate on Wednesday. Drafted by Senate Education Chairman Steven Thayne (R-Emmett), [Senate Bill 1238](#)'s next stop is the House Education Committee.

Full Story: [More](#)

via Career Tech Update SmartBrief

New Resource: "What is CTE?" Infographic

Recently, ACTE released a new infographic to help career and technical education (CTE) supporters inform about and advocate for CTE.

Full Story: [More](#)

via Idaho Division of Career and Technical Education's Top 10 Tuesday

Student Leadership Conferences will be held in person this year

The Student Leadership team is preparing to hold all seven spring Student Leadership Conferences (SLCs) in person in 2022.

via Idaho Association of School Administrators

EdJobs Idaho

If you're looking for new people, don't forget to check or post on the EdJobs Idaho site.

[Link to EdJobs Idaho](#)

Check Out The CTEI Website

Please take a few moments to log into the [CTEIdaho.org](https://cteidoaho.org) website and update your membership information. There are LOTS of exciting activities being planned for 2022 and you won't want to miss any of them.



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Your membership with {Organization_Name} will expire on
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If you are about to expire or have expired, please consider bringing your membership up to date. [Renew your membership](#)

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(Members are encouraged to submit content for the newsletter)