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BMITE Business, Marketing and Information Technology Education

Monday Madness - January 25, 2021

FY22 Lottery Grant Applications Now Available

FY22 (2021-22) lottery grant applications are now available. Remember, if you received a K12 lottery grant this year, you must wait a year to apply again. [Click here](#) for information and links to download the grant application.

CyberPatriot National Competition

The **CyberPatriot XIII National Finals Competition** will be held virtually on **March 20-21, 2021**. CyberPatriot is planning a robust, virtual National Finals competition which will include the Network Security Master Challenge, the Cisco NetAcad Challenge, the AT&T Mobile Computing Challenge, the TCP/IP event with CyberPatriot sponsors, an Opening Ceremony, and an Awards Ceremony. The top overall teams in the Open and All Service Division will receive scholarships from Northrop Grumman, and the top Open and All Service Division teams in the Cisco NetAcad Challenge will receive scholarships from Cisco. https://www.uscyberpatriot.org/

Virtual OEIP

BPA Updates

State Leadership Conference registration is open and will close on February 12th. Please refer to the Oklahoma BPA website SLC tab for more information: https://bpaok.org/state-leadership-conference-2021/

Online testing starts tomorrow! If your SLC registration has been submitted your students will have access to the testing site. Please refer to the email Paxton sent out on Friday, January 22nd and this morning for testing details to advisors.

DECA Updates

We have almost 300 members registered for our virtual Career Development Conference! Thank you local advisors for making this happen!

Today is a BIG day for Oklahoma DECA! The competition upload site is OPEN until February 2nd at noon. Students can now log in to view role play scenarios and submit projects! Best of luck to all those competing.

Conference information, competition rules, and more can be found on the OK DECA CDC page: https://decaok.org/career-development-conference/

Join us in Celebrating Jaclyn Arnold's Retirement

We will be celebrating Jaclyn Arnold's retirement on February 2, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. and would love you to join us in wishing her well as she begins this new chapter in her life.

Virtual Celebration Zoom
Link: https://zoom.us/j/94107925104?pwd=Z1c2RzdxYWEwY0lNZlhVbUtUMFdDZz09

OkACTE/ACTE Awards

The OkACTE/ACTE Awards Portal is open at this time. Please take a minute to check out the different awards that are available for you to apply for at www.acteonline.org/awards. The portal will close on March 1, 2021. Please email Emily Goff, emilygoff@morrisonps.com, if you have questions about applying for awards.

K-12 School Follow-up Now Open

Follow-up is now open for K-12 Schools and there are changes this year. We are collecting work based learning opportunities. It is not required for completing follow-up, but is encouraged if you have this information. It also includes definitions for work based learning at the end of the document. The guidebook can be found on the CTIMS webpage here. Of course, if you have any questions, need help, or run into issues with CTIMS please contact CTIMS Support at ctimssupport@careertech.ok.gov or call 405.743.5134.

The deadline for submission will be May 15, 2021.

Digital Wish has donors with funding available to give hotspots and laptops to schools in need. We know that COVID has closed schools, leaving many students disconnected. Please take 3 minutes to let us know how many hotspots and computing devices you need to connect your students from home. I want to match you with donations!

Here's the quick 10-question survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Tech_Divide

Heather Chirtea, Digital Wish, Executive Director PO Box 52, Milton, DE 19968, 866.344.7758 www.digitalwish.org

CTIMS Internet Browser Update

As you know, Internet Explorer has always been the preferred browser for CTIMS. However, because Internet Explorer is no longer a supported browser, we ask that you use one of the following when accessing CTIMS.

- The latest version of Microsoft Edge

- Mozilla Firefox

- Google Chrome

If you experience issues in CTIMS using these internet browsers, please let us know at ctimssupport@careertech.ok.gov or call support at 405.743.5134.

Aerospace Panel

Oklahoma CareerTech will be hosting a virtual panel discussion on the latest trends and employment opportunities in aerospace at 2 p.m. Feb. 4. This hour-long discussion will feature several aerospace experts, including Wade Wolfe, Vice Director of the Oklahoma City Air Logistics Complex; Ryan Goertzen, Vice President of Workforce Development at AAR Corp.; and Chase Beasley, Government Affairs specialist at American Airlines. Employment opportunities for those with training and expertise in aviation and aerospace are abundant.

Link address: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJEsf-2sqzIuHdcAApZF7GZVKNXzdELcc3mh

IT Positions Needed in OKC Metro

The Office of Management and Enterprise Services (OMES) is seeking to fill IT positions in the Oklahoma City area. If you have students, current or former, who might be qualified, please pass along these opportunities.

- PC Technicians/IT Support

- Executive PC Support

- Senior Workstation Engineer

Free Access to TestOut Courses

TestOut understands you may not have all of the resources you need to teach your students in an at-home learning environment. But the good news is we are here to help. **If you teach any of the courses below, we can give you free access for the spring semester to any of them!**

- Office Pro (MOS - Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Access, Outlook)

- IT Fundamentals Pro (Basic Computer Concepts - Hardware, Software, Networking, Programming)

- PC Pro (Hardware, Software, A+ Cert Prep)

- Network Pro (Network+)

- Security Pro (Security+)

- Linux Pro (covers Linux+)

- Client Pro (Operating Systems)

- Routing and Switching Pro (covers CCNA)

- Ethical Hacker Pro (covers Certified Ethical Hacker)

TestOut's certification courseware is for middle and high school students, can be offered entirely online, and can be used on Chromebooks, PCs, and Macs. Applying only takes 15 minutes of your time, and best of all, it's free!

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Distance Learning Resources

Log into ctYou.org and go to **BMITE Teacher Resources**. The link to **Distance Learning Resources** is directly under the bulleted menu options. Click here to access the resources. If you have trouble gaining access, contact Kristi.Lofton@careertech.ok.gov.

Other Agency Resources:

- BMITE YouTube Channel – or just search YouTube for "OK BMITE"

- ODCTE FAQs and Resources

- ODCTE – Career and Academic Connections Resources

- CareerTech Master Educator – free online PD (see below under Professional Development)

- Technology Center Distance Learning Plans

- K12 Schools Distance Learning Plans

- Oklahoma Department of Commerce COVID-19 Resources

- CARES Act: Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Information

Professional Development

CareerTech Master Educator (CTME) offers online courses (including 7000+ LinkedIn Learning courses) and allows you to track/manage your PD, assist with certification, and upgrade your skills. For access, email Jennifer.Wehrenberg@careertech.ok.gov or call 405.743.5155.

Pamela Porter's Weekly CTME Pick: This week's selection is, **"How to use LinkedIn Learning."** LinkedIn Learning bridges the gap between the career you want and the skills you need. We help the world's professionals achieve more. Learn online, at your own pace, with our library of 5,000+ creative, business, and technology courses, on subjects from Art to Zend. To get the most from LinkedIn Learning, we've

developed this short course to get you up and running. Learn how to find the best courses to take using our recommendations and search tools, explore learning paths, play and pause training videos, use transcripts and exercise files, and customize your learning experience.We are pleased to offer this training in our library. Tune in for next week's pick!

Are there specific areas or topics you would like for professional development? Please send PD ideas, along with the best time/dates for training, to Pamela.Porter@careertech.ok.gov.

 Click here for a full list of professional development opportunities.

Teacher Certification

For questions regarding teacher certification, renewal, missed certification exams, etc., please contact Laurie Richison at laurie.richison@careertech.ok.gov or call 405.743.5518.

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Remember, the BMITE staff is here to assist you in any way that we can. Please feel free to contact us with questions or concerns.

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