



**BMITE** Business, Marketing and  
Information Technology Education

## Monday Madness - February 1, 2021

### BMITE Program Specialist Position Open

The BMITE Program Specialist open position has been posted. [See website](#) for details and application.

### 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.

### 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-2sqzluHdcAApZF7GZVKNXzdELcc3mh>

### 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](http://www.acteonline.org/awards). The portal will close on March 1, 2021. Please email Emily Goff, [emilygoff@morrisonps.com](mailto:emilygoff@morrisonps.com), if you have questions about applying for awards.

# MBA Research News

**CTE Month.** CTE Month® is a public awareness campaign that takes place each February to celebrate the value of CTE. Use CTE Month to celebrate the achievements and accomplishments of your CTE programs! [ACTE provides ideas](#) on how to celebrate CTE Month, including [engaging your policy makers and the media](#) to encourage them to attend virtual events and tell your story, or using [social media](#) to do the same. Tag us (@MBAResearchNEWS on Twitter, @MBAResearch on Facebook) in your posts using the hashtag [#CTEMonth](#) so we can share how you're celebrating!

## Work-Based Learning Resources.

- FHI 360's comprehensive [Work-Based Learning Manual](#)
- Iowa Department of Education's [Work-Based Learning](#) web page
- Tennessee Department of Education's [WBL Toolbox](#)
- S. Department of Education's [Work-Based Learning Tool Kit](#)
- More WBL resources on [State's Connection portal](#)

**TV Coverage: The Business of Germs.** Brands like Lysol and Purell have seen sales explode because of COVID-19. [High School of Business™](#) (HSB) students at GlenOak High (OH) have also found a way to solve a consumer problem. Their new product, Shopping Shield, is a reusable cover for shopping cart handles. Students said they wanted to create something useful in response to the pandemic and eliminate waste created by single-use disinfectant wipes. Entrepreneurship is part of the HSB program at the school, which supplements their course using [Junior Achievement](#) resources. [See TV coverage on News 5 Cleveland.](#)

**Remote-Learning Resources.** As states continue with remote learning due to the ongoing pandemic, we'd like to remind you about the [remote-learning support page](#) on our website.

**Do the Right Thing Podcast.** Every other week, the [Daniels Fund Ethics Initiative](#) podcast series *Do the Right Thing* with [Our American Stories](#) shares a new story about dreamers, leaders, and founders—and the ethical challenges along their journeys. [In the latest episode](#), Colorado Rockies owner Dick Monfort tells the story of his father Kenny Monfort and the ethical decisions he faced growing his cattle company into the largest in the nation. [More resources for teaching ethics](#) are available through the generous support of the [Daniels Fund Ethics Initiative High School Program](#).

## BPA and DECA Resources.

- **BPA:** [Crosswalks align competencies](#) in BPA events with standards and resources available to assist students in preparing for competition. Both high school and middle school are available.
- **DECA:** As part of either the Community Awareness Project or the Community Giving Project, DECA students will plan, organize, and implement their own project to serve the community. [This community service workbook](#) guides students throughout that process, from establishing project committees to developing the final presentation and report.

**Flexibility Added to A\*S\*K Proctoring Policy.** Due to the pandemic, we have added flexibility to the A\*S\*K Certification exam proctoring policy with allowances for secure, remote testing to take place in accordance with your state and district regulations. Need help preparing students for the A\*S\*K Business Institute Certification Exams? We can help with 50-item practice tests available for just \$40 per school. Visit [ASKInstitute.org](http://ASKInstitute.org) or email [service@mbaresearch.org](mailto:service@mbaresearch.org).

## BPA Updates

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

Online testing has begun! 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 22<sup>nd</sup> and Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup> for testing details.

## DECA Updates

We have over 300 members registered for our virtual Career Development Conference! Thank you local advisors for making this happen! The competition upload site is OPEN until February 2<sup>nd</sup> at noon. Students can 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 Tomorrow

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=Z1c2RzdXWWEwY0lNZlVbUtUMFdDZz09>

## iCEV State-Approved Curriculum

Join us for a short (30 minute) virtual presentation every 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday, starting **tomorrow, Feb. 2**, to review iCEV state-approved curriculum and discuss the new Oklahoma adoption pricing. Please register at this [link](#).

# CyberPatriot National Competition

**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/>

## 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](#)

## K-12 Follow-up Opens

Follow-up is open for K-12 Schools and there are some changes this year. We are collecting work-based learning opportunities. The guidebook includes definitions for work based learning and can be found on the [CTIMS webpage](#). Of course, if you have any questions, need help, or run into issues with CTIMS please contact CTIMS Support at [ctimssupport@careertech.ok.gov](mailto:ctimssupport@careertech.ok.gov) or call 405.743.5134. The deadline for submission is May 15, 2021.

## 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](mailto:ctimssupport@careertech.ok.gov) or call support at 405.743.5134.



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](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](http://www.digitalwish.org)

## 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](mailto: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



[Video on 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](mailto:Jennifer.Wehrenberg@careertech.ok.gov) or call 405.743.5155.

**Pamela Porter's Weekly CTME Pick:** This week's selection is, **"Getting the Most out of Video on Facebook."** Social media has become critical to gaining exposure in the video and photography world. With social media platforms like Facebook, you can increase your brand's visibility and also take advantage of their free features to communicate and advertise. This course shows how to build your audience, your brand, and your business on Facebook using video. Learn how to get video into the platform, create viewing events such as premieres and watch parties, discover video using Facebook Search, and live stream with Facebook Live. Instructor Rich Harrington also shows how to add 360° video to Facebook and make videos accessible by embedding your own captions or have Facebook auto-generate them for you. Plus, learn how to build a custom "player" around your videos to make your brand's Facebook page stand out.

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](mailto: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](mailto:laurie.richison@careertech.ok.gov) or call 405.743.5518.

## BMITE Staff

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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