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BMITE Business, Marketing and
Information Technology Education

Monday Madness - March 15, 2021

CareerTech Virtual Job Fair



SAVE THE DATE

Please join us for a statewide virtual job fair for all CareerTech students!

April 7, 2021

Students: Give yourself the best chance for employment by connecting with hundreds of Oklahoma businesses!

- Engage in one-on-one interviews for open positions.
- Learn about businesses through interactive group sessions with recruiters.
- Upload resumes, work samples and more.

CareerTech VIRTUAL JOB FAIR

OKLAHOMA CareerTech

For more info, check out: okcareer.tech/jobfair

The graphic features a blue circular emblem with three orange stars at the top and three at the bottom. A green banner with the text 'SAVE THE DATE' is draped across the emblem. Below the emblem, the text 'CareerTech VIRTUAL JOB FAIR' is displayed in a colorful, stacked font. To the right, there is a list of bullet points and the Oklahoma CareerTech logo, which consists of a stylized starburst. At the bottom, there is an illustration of a diverse group of people in various professional and technical attire, including a construction worker, a scientist, and a business professional.

This event targets students who are in their final year of a CareerTech training program and looking to enter the workforce or participate in an internship opportunity. Students in a high school setting should be seniors who are participating in a capstone course and plan to enter the workforce upon graduation.

RSVP to participate in this event with a point-of-contact for your school. Send information and questions to aj.crowell@careertech.ok.gov or 405.743.5105.

OK Summit Sessions – We Need Your Ideas!

Let's get ready to Summit! Teachers and Administrators: take the following survey to tell us what you would like to see on Day 2 of Oklahoma Summit, when BMITE joins together for division-specific teaching and learning. We want to hear from you! <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NR5YPML> (Please respond by Monday, March 19th)

Dell Looking to Fill University Relations Position

Dell is looking to hire someone for a University Relations position for their new-hire class in the May/June timeframe. Candidates must have graduated by June or in the last two years. A minimum 2-year Associates degree is required but the type of degree is not as important as the quality of the student. Soft skills and hardware tech experience is vital. Starting salary: 40K+. Send candidates to brucetheinert@gmail.com.

BPA Updates

Thank you to everyone who made our first virtual SLC a reality! Congratulations to all of our participants for an awesome conference!

Share photos here: <https://www.dropbox.com/request/anpDGxEGcLEDec3jT5ZY>

If you are looking for NLC information it will be launched on 3/15 at this location: <https://bpa.org/nlc/>

If you would like to fill out stipend information for any student who placed first in their event and plans to attend NLC, you can do so here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XNNRCSH>

DECA Updates

Check out the official ICDC promo video on our social media pages!

ICDC Information: <https://decaok.org/international-career-development-conference/>

Remember, today is the last day to register for ICDC.

ICDC Stipends: Oklahoma DECA will be covering all 1st and 2nd place winners \$55 Competition Fee for Virtual 2021 ICDC. Each winner will only receive ONE stipend regardless of how many events they placed in. Fill out this survey to let us know who will be attending ICDC and in what events. If your students do not appear on this survey they will NOT receive a stipend. **Deadline to complete the survey is March 15th.**

Survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KGWVLR8>

DECA Awards Session: <https://vimeo.com/509024830/7298606e48>

MBA Research Updates

MBA Research is a not-for-profit working in partnership with business administration educators. Make the most of Oklahoma's state membership!

Using *The Office to Teach Business Ethics*. In the Bookmarks section of your State's Connection portal, find resources our researchers have recently found, including ethical dilemmas for class discussions and Using *The Office to Teach Business Ethics*, which includes case studies, a PowerPoint, discussion questions, and debriefing material. Login or create your free account at <https://mbastatesconnection.mbaresearch.org/>

Newly updated: Ethical Leadership course guide. Download the 2021 editions of [the Ethical Leadership course guide](#) at no cost courtesy of the Daniels Fund Ethics Initiative High School Program. We added an ethics case for students to every performance indicator in the course (before we only had cases for half of them), updated the resources, and included additional information on how to partner with the Epic Ethics program at the elementary school level for students' service learning project.

Is it time to return to the office? The newest Action Brief shares insights on this decision facing businesses worldwide. This is a terrific resource for classroom discussions. Find it in [State's Connection](#), available at no cost thanks to your state's membership in the MBA Research consortium.

Virtual Internship – Explore the Film Industry

On Thursday, March 25 at 11:30-11:45 a.m., Danny Rubin, founder of Rubin, will host a virtual internship with Craig Peck, Hollywood Film Producer who works with Disney, Warner Bros and Sony. His company has brought us films like "The Blind Side," "Blade Runner 2049," "Dolphin Tale," and "Something Borrowed."

[Claim your spots](#) right now (students and teachers) and then [download the worksheet](#) students can use during the webinar. Forward the email to your students so they can register on their own if you would like.

- Learn how Craig and his team produce movies that we see in theaters and streaming services, how the film industry has evolved during the pandemic, how to pursue a career in the film industry and much more!
- Yes, they will provide a recording, but students gain the most value if they join live.

- Plus, everyone (educators and students) who attends live will receive a Rubin certificate of completion.

Microsoft Retiring MTA Licenses

Microsoft will stop offering MTA licenses for purchase on June 30, 2021. Your students will have until June 30, 2022 to register and take the exam. Pearson is picking up the MTAs and rebranding them to **IT Specialist Certification** with exams that match what MTA had been offering. We are working to update these in our approved testing guide.

Microsoft Retiring MTA Exams

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/learn/certifications/mta-retirement-faqs>

Pearson Continuing the same style of exams under their Brand and Naming

<https://certiport.pearsonvue.com/Certifications/ITSpecialist/Certification/Overview>

Here are the MTA exam titles and the ITS exam that is replacing them:

MTA Exam	ITS Exam
• Database Fundamentals	• Databases
• Networking Fundamentals	• Networking
• Intro to Programming Using JavaScript	• JavaScript
• Intro to Programming Using Python	• Python
• HTML5 Application Development	• HTML5 Application Development
• Software Development	• Software Development
• Security Fundamentals	• Network Security
• Intro to Programming Using Java	• Java
• Intro to Programming Using HTML and CSS	• HTML and CSS
• Mobility and Device Fundamentals	• Device Configuration and Management

ISTE Computational Thinking Courses

ISTE has partnered with Georgia State University and the Georgia Department of Education to develop [microcourses for integrated computational thinking](#). These three microcourses are free and can lead to ISTE badges at the end of each course (\$70 per badge) if desired, leading to ISTE's Integrated Computational Thinking Endorsement.

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Carl Perkins Grants Open

Basic Grants

Applications for the Carl Perkins Basic Grants are now open. Below is the link to a training video on what is expected and required for year two of this grant.

<https://www.okcareertech.org/about/state-agency/divisions/federal-legislation-assistance/carl-perkins/grant-application-information/perkins-v>

Applications must be reviewed and approved by all parties no later than **May 7th, 2021**. The Option/Allocation Form will be emailed out to Local Superintendents on **March 22nd**.

Innovative Grants

FY22 Innovative Grants are now open. There are only a few sections of the application required to be completed this year. Those areas include requested funding amount, budget narrative, key personnel, and budget spreadsheet.

These grants are on a two-year funding cycle. Funding for year two is contingent upon your school showing progress towards the goals listed in your initial worksheet. One of the requirements of the grant is to complete the monitoring process. Below is the link to the monitoring form. **Please complete one form per initiative and submit by March 19th**.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=ZHgwmpg-CE-5CnKLYs8yxQIYvQtgshNPrieOJVrayzxUMjNORTBQNkwySkxOS0VMV0hSUENNVjZRWi4u>

For questions, contact Letha Bauter at letha.bauter@careertech.ok.gov or 405-743-5569.

K-12 Follow-up

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 or call 405.743.5134.

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 or call support at 405-743-5134.

iCEV Curriculum

Join us for a short (30 minute) virtual presentation every 1st Tuesday, beginning in February, to review iCEV state-approved curriculum and discuss the new Oklahoma adoption pricing. Please register at this [link](#).

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. **If you teach any of the below courses, 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!

Jared Skelton, Academic Account Executive, jskelton@testout.com, 800.877.4889 x329

Dean Denton/BMITE Scholarship Open for Applications

The Dean Denton/BMITE Scholarship is now open for applications through March 31, 2021. [Click here](#) for information on how to apply.

Clinton HS BITE Position Opening

Clinton High School has posted an opening for their Digital Marketing (BITE) program. Send cover letter, resume, transcripts, and reference list to Adam McPhail, Assistant Superintendent, at adam.mcphail@cpsreds.org.

Link to listing: <https://www.ossba.org/services/jobs/>.

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 at Jennifer.Wehrenberg@careertech.ok.gov or call 405-743-5155.

Pamela Porter's Weekly CTME Pick: This week's selection is, **"Cybersecurity Awareness: Phishing and Whaling"**

Phishing and whaling are types of cybercrimes used to defraud people and organizations. The average 10,000-employee company spends \$3.7 million dollars a year dealing with phishing and whaling attacks alone. It's imperative that all employees of an organization are educated on how to avoid these attacks. Phishing is successful when an email message persuades a person to take an action or reveal information which should not be disclosed. Whaling focuses on high-profile targets such as executives, politicians, and celebrities. Learn about the tactics used in phishing and whaling, and view some examples so that you can identify suspicious emails and network intrusions. Then learn how to reduce your risk and put protections in place to help mitigate these threats. This course was created and produced by Mentor Source, Inc. We are honored to host this training in our library.

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.

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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