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# "That's a Wrap" – BMITE Day at the Capitol

The first in-person, post-COVID BMITE Day at the Capitol was held on April 7, 2022. The event brought out nearly 310 teachers and students to the Oklahoma State Capitol to learn about government, tour the State Capitol and talk with State House Representatives and State Senators.

The event was put on for the BMITE programs across the state by the OkACTE BMITE division. The goals were to provide an educational experience to the students to learn about state government, allow them the opportunity to see state government in action, and relate government in action with the importance of how it affects citizens, towns, cities, and organizations (schools). Likewise, this event was also an opportunity to show a representation of the business, marketing, and information technology education programs across the state to Representatives, Senators, and other elected officials why it is essential to support education.

Several students started the day at 8:00 AM in a standing-room-only Supreme Court Hallway, and listened to OkACTE Executive Director, Skye McNiel, speak about OkACTE and CareerTech education. BMITE packed the Senate and House galleries at 9:30 AM to be recognized and hear introductions on a light legislative session by CareerTech supporters Senator Brenda Stanley (District 42) and Representative Dick Lowe (District 56).

After the session adjourned, many schools spoke one-on-one to their government officials at their Capitol offices. Many were able to experience the tours of the building and learn more about Oklahoma history and this historic building. Several students and teachers mentioned they were glad the BMITE Teacher's division of OkACTE brought this free event back.

OkACTE BMITE Division President, Daniel Devers, would like to thank the great team of leaders who assisted in making this event possible. To learn more about what BMITE Day at the Capitol was like, to download the brochure, or information about government to share with your students, or if you attended, to take the attendee post-event survey, visit <a href="http://bmite.org/bmite-day-at-the-capitol/">http://bmite.org/bmite-day-at-the-capitol/</a>.

OkACTE BMITE Division is a division of OkACTE, a leadership organization designed to provide professional development, industry partner connections, and a voice in the government from the classroom level.

\*\*This content is courtesy of OkACTE BMITE Division President, Daniel Devers\*\*



CareerTech and the Professional Development Division are once again excited to announce a Request for Participation in <u>VirtualJobShadow.com</u>. This is an online, video-based career exploration and career planning platform empowering students and job seekers to learn more about themselves, suitable career pathways, and the skills necessary for independent living. The link below contains a short video overview of VirtualJobShadow.com. If your district would like to participate, please view the recruitment letter for details.

If you and/or your district is interested in participating, please complete the Request to Participate Form by **June 3**, **2022**. The RFP link can be found in the attached letter. Our goal is to continue establishing demonstration and best practice sites.

# Districts/schools that participated in 2021-2022 and submitted requested participation data <u>DO NOT</u> need to reapply.



**Recruitment Letter** 

**Request to Participate** 



### Job Opening - Meridian Technology Center

Meridian Technology Center is looking to hire an Information Technology Instructor.

Must have at least three years of experience within the information/programming technology field within the last five years to meet certification requirements with the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education.

A degree in Business or Technology Education, Computer Science, Management and Information Systems, Programming, Telecommunications, or Trade and Industrial Education is preferred.

**Additional Information** 



#### **NLC Information:**

NLC is only a few weeks away! Be prepared by reviewing the NLC Guide! We can't wait to see everyone in Dallas. Be on the watch for your invoices and confirmation number from the hotel as they start processing that information for your chapters. If you need assistance with registration or hotels please contact Jonathan Smith at National BPA (jsmith@bpa.org).

Oklahoma is needing additional volunteers to serve as **voting delegates and alternates.** This is a selection process in order to keep things equitable between chapters. This is open to secondary and post-secondary students. Additional information will be sent out to those selected to volunteer. To sign your students up to serve as voting delegates simply complete the form at <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SGH9VBS</u>.

For those preparing for NLC please view the NLC Guide and Headquarters website.

For Oklahoma specific information regarding NLC visit our website.

Stipend checks are being processed and will be mailed out next week to schools.



Good Luck to our Collegiate DECA members who are currently attending ICDC in Baltimore this week! We are thrilled to be participating at the Collegiate level this year!

High School DECA members and advisors planning to attend ICDC in Atlanta should review the <u>ICDC Guide</u> and ICDC information provided by DECA Inc. on deca.org. You can also download the conference app, watch helpful videos about ICDC, and review policies/guidelines relating to the conference.

**Important HS DECA ICDC Information:** Oklahoma will host a state meeting directly following the Opening Session on **Saturday, April 23rd** at the Omni Hotel. An exact room will be determined closer to conference. All attendees are encouraged to attend.

If you are renting a vehicle in Atlanta and planning to park at the Omni, please look into potential parking fees so you are not caught off guard. These rates range from \$35-\$45 a night depending on the vehicle and parking times.

**ICDC Stipend Checks:** Stipend checks were handed out at Champ Camp on April 1st and those remaining were mailed on **Monday, April 4th**.



## OK Summit 2022 will be in TULSA!

OK Summit 2022 will be held at the **Cox Business Convention Center, 100 Civic Center, Tulsa, Oklahoma**. It will not be in OKC this year, so make plans now to join us in Tulsa on August 1-2, 2022.

### \*\*REGISTRATION FOR OK SUMMIT WILL OPEN ON MAY 2ND\*\*

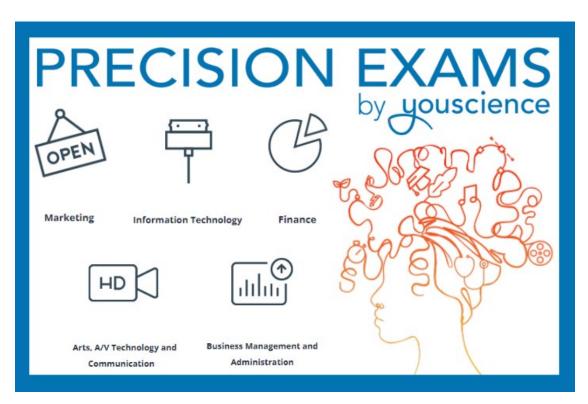
If you have not booked your hotel room, grab one soon! If the website says they are full, call the hotel. They have been experiencing website issues.

Day 2 - The BMITE division will be at Tulsa Tech, Riverside Campus.

**Presenters Needed** - If you would like to present on Day 2 at Riverside Campus for our breakout sessions, please complete the form linked below or contact **kathy.orr@careertech.ok.gov**. We would love to hear from you!

**OK Summit Survey** 

### **Book Hotel Room**



## **Important Update from Precision Exams**

Please be advised that beginning on **July 1**, **2022** the individual exam price from Precision Exams by Youscience will increase from \$8.00 to \$20.00.

You may want to consider purchasing exam vouchers now for the 2022-23 school year and take advantage of the \$8.00 per exam price while it is still available. As a reminder, you can use your 412 program money to purchase these certifications.



If you've never attended CERTIFIED, you may be wondering what it's like and what you'll learn. CERTIFIED is the only education conference dedicated exclusively to exploring the full promise of certification in the classroom. It's an opportunity to listen, learn, and collaborate with a community of educators who share your passion for using certification to improve education and change lives.

**Additional Information** 



uCertify is an award-winning hands-on teaching and training platform with over 400+ courses for Computer Science, IT, and Project Management.

By attending this webinar you will learn:

- 1. uCertify platform.
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- 7. ADA compliance and Accessibility.
- 8. uCertify mobile app.

Join us on April 13th, 2022 at 2:00 pm ET for a demo of uCertify platform.

Register now to save your spot!



There are numerous job openings posted on CareerTech's website under Educators tab and the Business, Marketing, Information Technology Education link.

**BMITE Job Openings** 

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