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September 10, 2021

CHANGE OF DATES.....

State Conference is now April 24-26, 2021

"If you are not willing to learn, no one can help you. If you are determined to learn, no one can stop you."

-Zig Ziglar

CareerTech Educator Conference--Virtual

The CareerTech Educator Conference is just around the corner and will provide **only a virtual option**. The virtual conference sessions will be recorded for later viewing.

What's in store for CareerTech educators at the fall event? Let's find out: **Relevant Topics** - including student engagement, flipped classroom, and more! View the [agenda here](#).

- **Engaging Virtual Sessions** - breakout sessions will be 75 minutes in length to allow time for participant engagement.
- **On-Demand Access** - recorded sessions will be available for viewing through January 1, 2022.
- **Networking Opportunities** - planned for both in-person and virtual attendees during the scheduled lunch time.

If you haven't registered for the upcoming Educator Conference (formerly known as the Teacher Academy), do so today!

[Virtual Educator Conference](#) (registration closes at noon on 9/14/2021)

We look forward to seeing you online on September 16th!

Lottery Grants

Announcing the opening of the Fall 2021 application for the Lottery Scholarship. Please review the updated eligibility requirements before beginning the application process. There have been changes to the application. The applicants need to review the website for the changes before they begin. Below is the link to the application:

<https://www.okcareertech.org/students/scholarships/lottery-funds-scholarships/lottery-funds-scholarships>

Postsecondary State Officer Application

Postsecondary State Officer applications are due to Emily Goff, emily.goff@careertech.ok.gov, on **October 1, 2021 by 5:00 p.m.** If you have questions, please email or call, 405-743-5143

[Application](#)

Postsecondary Fall Leadership Conference

Registration is open for the Postsecondary Fall Leadership Conference on October 28, 2021 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Edmond. Please make plans to attend with your postsecondary students.

[Agenda](#)

[Registration](#)

Northwest District Fall Leadership Conference

The Northwest District Fall Leadership Conference has registration open at this time. The date of the conference is October 21 at the **Mustang AFRC Armed Forces Reserve Center**.

[Agenda](#)

[Registration](#)

OKC Thunder Game

SkillsUSA Night at a Thunder game is January 28, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. against the Indian Pacers. Each ticket is \$16. Chapters wanting to attend need to complete the form in the link to reserve your tickets. It is a first come first served for the tickets as there are limited numbers.

[Ticket Request Form](#)

Items from Nationals...

Journey of the Jacket

Applications for this project open on October 1, 2021 and closes November 1, 2021. For information go to this [link](#). Please make sure to look at all of the requirements before applying.

Lowe's Program Improvement and Community Service Grants

Grants will be awarded up to \$10,000 to a school system or state association. The [applications](#) open on September 15 and close on December 1.

Teaching and Training Our Future Workforce

Dear SkillsUSA Chapter Advisor,

SkillsUSA has teamed up with Tractor Supply Company (TSC) and Carhartt for the new "Support the Trades" campaign, designed to raise awareness of the skilled trades while helping SkillsUSA close the skilled trades gap. As part of the campaign, Carhartt and TSC have created a new line of "Support the Trades" shirts, and proceeds from every shirt sold will be donated directly to SkillsUSA! Show your pride for the skilled trades you proudly represent every day while supporting SkillsUSA and the "Champions at Work" that keep our nation moving.

"Support the Trades" shirts are available exclusively at TSC. To get yours, visit your local TSC store or order online at: www.tractorsupply.com/tsc/cms/carhartt.

Fast Facts About the Skilled Trades Gap:

- 3 million trade jobs remain vacant in the US.
- Demand for construction workers is projected to rise by 1.2-2 million jobs by 2023.
- Finding qualified candidates is the top hurdle hiring managers expect to face in 2021.
- Nearly 25% of the manufacturing workforce is 55 or older.

In-demand skilled trades positions can lead to great-paying, highly fulfilling careers, often with little or no college debt.

[Clothing Link](#)

[Video Link](#)

CareerTech Events

September 18-22, 2021	Washington Leadership Training Institute (CANCELLED)
October 1, 2021	Postsecondary State Officer Nominations Due
October 14, 2021	Postsecondary State Officer Candidate Screening – ODCTE, Stillwater
October 11, 2021	Postsecondary Conference Registration Due, no late registration
October 19, 2021	Southeast Fall Leadership Conference (possibly virtual)
October 21, 2021	Northwest District Fall Leadership Conference
October 22, 2021	South Central District Fall Leadership Conference
October 26, 2021	Southwest District Fall Leadership Conference
October 27, 2021	State Officer Training
October 28, 2021	Postsecondary Fall Leadership Conference
October 29, 2021	Northeast District Fall Leadership Conference
November 2, 2021	Southeast District Fall Leadership Conference
November 12, 2021	North Central District Fall Leadership Conference
November 16-17, 2021	State Officer Training – ODCTE, Stillwater
November 18, 2021	Executive Council Meeting – ODCTE, Stillwater
Dec. 2, 2021	Regional Skills Contests-Host Teacher Meeting – ODCTE, Stillwater

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